RUC accused of standing by in face of violence and intimidation

Mob rules as strike grips Ulster

ern Ireland after mob violence and intimidation swept through the province.

 Thousands of people stayed away from work and shops and schools closed as the 24-hour "loyalist" strike against the Anglo-Irish agreement took hold. Mr Tom King, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, condemned Unionist leaders for failing to control the "hoodlum element" in a "so-called peaceful protest".

By Richard Ford

Mob ciolence and wide- collar employees reported for spread intimidation erupted their duties. across Northern Ireland yes-terday as the 24-hour "loyalist" strike against the Harland and Wolff Shipyard Anglo-trish agreement effec-tively paralysed large areas of tory in East Belfast. Others

Last night after vicious greeted with barricades and rioting in working-class cast pickets who attacked cars and Belfast, police in full riot gear verbally abused drivers. hroke through makeshift bar-ricades and dispersed a crowd ricades and dispersed a crowd offices and shops, and Orange of about 500 youths who had Halls were used to provide

gone on the rampage.

As the strike headed into its the eldert, and sick. final hours Mr Tom King.

In Belfast city centre, the big
Secretary of State for Northshops opened but streets were ern Ireland, defended the po-lice against numerous allegations that they had stood out of support for the protest by as people were intimidated or fear of reprisals.

Mr King angrily denounced was an almost complete the leaders of the Official and Closedown of commercial life, Democratic Unionist Parties for doing little to control severely restricted. Buses run-"hoodlum element" in what he described as a "so-called peaceful protest". He said: "I find it incredible that people who claim to be localists and the major airline earriers cansupporters of the Crown actu- celled flights because they ally put this appalling strain claimed their staff were being on the police"

The deputy leader of the Larne closed and ferry ser-SDLP. Mr Scanius Mallon, vices to the mainland were accused the RUC of a blatant cancelled. abrogation of their duty saying there were two sorts of law: paramilitary uniforms and one for the loyal sons of Ulster with sinister black masks.

and another for other people.

But Sir Juhn Hermon, the
Chief Constable, appeared on street corners while a series of agriculture cavalcades caused traffic distelevision to say there were ruption. bound to have been shortcomings but overall there had been of the day, women at a "sterling police work in the clothing factory in Lurgan. Co interests of the whole Armagh, were beseiged by a community".

The degeneration into vio- tic baton rounds and took the lence of what Mr James women to safety in armoured Molyneaux, leader of the OUP trucks before rioters set light and the Rev lan Paisley, to the building, leader of the DUP, had wanted to be a "dignified and peaceful protest" came as no surprise to the Government.

Last night, both Mr. Molyneaux and Mr Paisley condemned the intimidation, but insisted it had been over-

However there was concern exaggerated and that most at how quickly the protests people had willingly stayed snowballed into trouble and away from work. moderate Unionists fear that However there is renewed hardline elements will be en-questioning about how far the couraged to step up their men can control their

Thousands of workers stayed away from factories. although in many areas white-



Masked men hijacking a car in Belfast to add to a barricade in the Shankill area during yesterday's Protestant strike

Police watch as pickets and barbed wire rule the roads

By Paul Vallely

The harbour airport in Bel-fast closed while at Aldergrove The woman's mistake was to approach the barricade along the road which led from the Catholic part of Portadown. The first group of pickets directed her to a second and the second group to a third. Two policemen stood and watched.

Each time she repeated her request that she be allowed through to take the woman beside her in the passenger seat to a doctor. Each time she was subjected to a stream of In one of the worst incidents

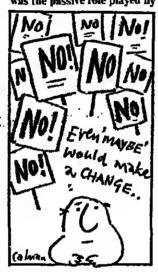
"I'm not going to work. I have to get her to the doctors." she said. They continued to refuse. She lost her temper. "We're not letting you through because you didn't

ask nicely", said a large man with an ugly sneer. His friend, a small hyperactive character wearing a BP cap, picked up a roll of barbed wire from the barricade and draped it across the pavement in front of the cars wheels. "Drive across that", he said.

Tears of rage filled the woman's eyes. She reversed out to the ch of about 50 "loyalists", who lined the road at the approach to the barricade which was littered with boxfulls of bro-

She revved the car aggressively and the man in the BP cap ran at her screaming abuse and kicked a large deut in the side of the front wing. The crowd cheered. "Get back where you came from", he screeched. The two policemen stood and watched. One of the most disturbing

elements of yesterday's scenes of harassment and hullying on the streets of Northern Ireland was the passive role played by



At the side of the road

policemen sat in their some cars and did nothing as convoys made up of dozens of tractors drove three and four abreast along principal high ways while queues of traffic piled up behind them. Other officers slood with

the pickets at the roadblocks of telegraph poles, chains and scattered nails on the edges of small farming towns and larger market towns alike, as if giving official sanction to the activity.

They watched as groups of loyalist workers harangued the handful of individuals who braved the strike and appeared on the largely deserted streets of the province. Around them windows were newly broken and rubhish skips had been set on fire.

One police inspector told me that he sat in a police minibus hemmed in on both sides by a blockade of farm vehicles: "Our job is to prevent disorder. So far there seems to have been none that I have seen. But if I were to try to remove the barricades that could cause more problems than it would

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Land Rover bids to beat deadline

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

A management team led by land Vehicles and Land Rover Mr David Andrews, BL direcoperations but not to buses. tor, was the sole bidder to has emerged last night for the state-owned group's Land

Rover operations. But General Motors of America, which has been drawing up its proposals for more than nine months, said it deadline. would meet the Government's deadline of midnight tonight and formally lodge its propos-

The Laird Group, the engineering company which owns the Metro Cammell Weymann coach business. was up to last night the only bidder for the BL bus opera-

A confident Mr Andrews said last night that a stock market flotation of Land Rover could take place within two years of a successful management buy-out.

Mr Andrews.director responsible for BL commercial vehicles, said the existing listing and flotation were possible and would provide capital for the continued development of the Land for the bus business with Rover, Range Rover and the

Sherpa van model range. equity base and set us on

course for a Jaguar-style take over." Mr Andrews said. The Department of Trade and Industry made clear last night that the much-criticized

With at least 11 named and anonymous groups reported in the past two weeks to be interested in Land Rover, the jewel in the LRL crown. the department is today expecting a last-minute rush to beat the A spokesman said a total of

six parties were interested in Land Rover: General Motors, Lonrho, Aveling Barford, BL's former heavy construction equipment company. the management consortium and two undisclosed companies. GM has shown interest in the trucks side of the business and there is one other potential. unnamed, foreign bidder.

-The department said there was no precise time scale for consideration of the expressions of intent but it was hoped that a decision would be taken before the end of the month.

Mr Paul Spicer, a director of management the financial institutions and banks backing continuing to prepare its subthem and stockbrokers were mission which would be delivagreed that a stock exchange ered today although there has

for the bus business with Volvo of Sweden, which makes coaches at its Irvine. "This would give us a solid Ayrshire, factory, and a management buy-out team led by the managing director. Mr lan McKinnon. Meanwhile. 500 workers be-

Horspath near Oxford

Grants by GLC lawful ruling

By Hugh Clayton Environment Correspond

A High Court judge yester-day cleared cleared the way for a £105 million "spending spree" by the Greater London Council and two other Labour controlled metropolitan coun-

Mr Justice Macphers ruled that spending plans by the GLC, Greater Manchester ncil and West Midlands County Council, all of whom will be abolished at the end of this month, were lawful.

Conservatives immediately appealed against the judge-ment, which cuts across the efforts of ministers to deny the GLC what they call "a life fter death". The judgement allows the GLC to fund for a year after its abolition hundreds of volun-

tary groups that it has fi-nanced in the years of Labour control since 1981. It also allows it to hand over £40 million crucial to Inner Londen Education Authority Mr Justice Macpherson accepted that some GLC decisions might have "political or social overtones which may please some and dismay others". Ratepayers would get the decisions they deserved from councillors they had elected "in this case as in

many others".

It was not for the court to rule on the popularity of such decisions. None of the seven councils 10 be abolished was bound to hand over surplus revenue to councils that would take over afterwards. There was no impropriety or irrationality in the spending considered yesterday to justify court

£100 million. Westminster conceded that about £20 million should be allowed because it had been cleared by ministers. Greater Manchester Council was allowed to spend almost £9 million and West Midhads almost £1 million. The Westminster appeal

will begin on Monday." Law report, page 27

Greek tanker explodes in **Bay of Biscay**

Greek tanker, the Galini, exploded and caught fire in the Bay of Biscay yesterday, killing and seriously injuring crewmen, the French Atlantic rescue centre announced. Falmouth coastguards said

two crewmen were killed, three injured and 28 were missing.

The tanker was about 200 miles off the French coast when there were many explogan a two-day strike at the BL sions followed by fire". Heli-Unipart spares depot at copters evacuated the injured

Tomorrow True or



The Times, with the help of leading art historians, solves the \$6 million mystery of the Getty museum's Annunciation

The tragedy of Jessica One parent's story of a cot-death

There is £6,000 to be won in today's Times Portfolio competition because there have been no winners for the past two days. Portfolio list, page 20; how to play, information service, page 32.

Swedish hope

Sweden's new leader. Mr Ingvar Carlsson, promised to continue the policies of his assassinated predecessor. Mr Olof Palme. He will be sworn in next Wednesday Page

Riot arrests

Cairo authorities have arrested seven people, including a lawyer, accused of leading police riots in which 37 people are known to have died Page 5

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Cold spell shows sign of ending

Loyalist intimidation, page

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In loyalist rural areas there

ning in Belfast were attacked

intimidated. The harbour at

Gangs of youths, many in

loyalist mob. Police fired plas-

with stones and hricks,

By a Staff Reporter

Britain began to warm up yesterday after the second coldest February of the century - but forecasters said that spring, officially due at the end of the month, is still a long was off.

Yesterday's temperature was the warmest since the end of January when it rose to 45 F, but it was still well below the seasonal average for March of 48 F.

From today the weather will continue to approach the seasonal norm though conditions will be changeable with spetls Despite the improvement in

the weather, emergency cold weather survival kits were being sent to old people packed by volunteers from Age Concern.
The kits, worth about £20

each, include thermal underwear, fuel stamps, a powdered drink, chocolate, soup, addice on keeping warm and on allowances they may be able to

at noon yesterday.

• The 150th running of the Waterloo Cup has been ahandoned because of the freeze. The running grounds at Altear, Southport, were still deeply frozen when inspected

Hopes grow for teachers pay deal

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

The two sides in the teach- to undertake "voluntary" duers pay dispute were inching ties such as covering for towards a settlement last night after the second biggest union agreed to talks at local level after the second biggest union apparently conceded a crucial

Prospects for an end to the one-year dispute look good after the teachers and employers agreed to insert two new paragraphs in the deal. The National Association of

Schuolmasters/Union of Wonten Teachers agreed that industrial action should not continue for the duration of talks which are expected to start soon on major reforms to the profession. They are 10 be under the auspices of the Acas conciliation service.

The NAS/UWT did not insist that local authority emplovers withdraw letters sent to teachers in 70 areas threat-

new paragraph said.

about the letters. Nor did employers insist on a definition of what constituted a return to normal duties. which lets individual NAS/UWT members off the

"The parties will advise their constituents that for the purpose of the Acas talks and so long as those talks are in progress, no action should be taken which is likely to make the existence of the letters the basis of a dispute." the crucial

The other said the two sides would take such steps as they could to make sure calm was restored to the schools.

Uranium plant scare

An employee of the Capenhurst, Cheshire, factory of British Nuclear Fuels Limited was contaminated with uranium during routine maintenance work.

The company said that less than a thousandth of a gram of virtually inactive metal was involved, and there was no question of a leak during the Forecast, page 32 | incident on Sunday.

The plant was built in the

The purpose was to increase the proportion of uranium 235 in material needed for weapons. Natural uranium ore is mainly in the form of uranium 238, and only 0.7 per cent is in the fissile form of U325 that can be used to create a nuclear

10p rise in medicine charges

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Prescription charges are expected to rise by 10p from next month with a similar 5 per cent increase in charges for National Health Service dental treat-The increase, to be an-

nounced in the next fortnight, will take the prescription charge to £2.10 after it has already risen ten-fold, well ahead of the rate of inflation Dental charges, where pa-tients pay the first £17 and 40

per cent of the cost thereafter, are expected to rise by 5 per The increases will come as the British Medical Association is pressing ministers to review prescription charges,

claiming that the present system is "flawed, anomalous, inequitable".

Dr Michael Wilson, chairman of the association's general medical services committee said some patients were de-terred from seeking treatment because of the prescription charge, which in certain cases is more than the cost of the

The association criticizes the blanket exemption from charges of the elderly and singled out many individual children, which takes no account of patients' ability to

More face sack by Kremlin

From Christopher Walker

More heads are expected to oll in the top ecbelons of Soviet industry following a damning indictment of recent economic mismanagement in the USSR delivered yesterday in a keynote address to the 27th Communist Party Cougress by Mr Nikolai Ryzhkov, the new Soviet Prime Minis-

Launching an ambitious dueprint to revive the flagging economy by the year 2,000 and double national income, Mr Ryzhkov laid most of the blame for present difficulties on mistakes made during the era of Mr Leonid Brezhnev,

The Prime Minister - who has day-to-day responsibility for running the economy -Soviet ministries and other state bodies for bitter criti-

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Anglican split threatened over moves to Rome

By Clifford Longley A formal split in the Church of England is being threatened by one of the senior evangeli-cal groups in opposition to Anglican-Roman Catholic unity moves.

Church Society, which is leading a vigorous campaign against unity between the Church of England and the Roman Catholic Church, says it is preparing to set up a "continuing Church of England", parallel to the existing Anglican church. This would maintain the rites, ceremonies, and doctrines of the Protestant Reformed Religion, as hy law established".

A society spokesman said

plans were well advanced, and far away. This could come if the General Synod of the Church of England decided to give its official endorsement later this year, or next, to the two statements from the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission. One concerns the doctrine of priest-

Those two statements have received provisional approval from the General Synod, and have been passed for further debate to the Church of England's diocesan and deanery synods. Meetings of these

hood and the other the Holy

Communion and the Eucha-

bodies are currently being held all over the country to discuss what response the Church of England should give. Church Society claims to

have evidence that in a few cases proper debate is being denied, and that the two statements are being forced through by the diocesan bishop. The council of the society discussed these reports last week, and decided to issue its threat of a split. The threat will nevertheless

cause no great surprise in the Church of England, for Church Society has been hos-tile to Anglican-Catholic unity

from the start and its public

former secretary of the Protestant Reformation Society, who organized a small protest against the Pope's visit.

The society is the senior evangelical body in the Church of England, but has seen its leadership taken over in recent years by such bodies as the Anglican Evangelical Assembly, which is less opposed to Bishop of London, Dr Graham unity with the Roman Catholic Leonard, last year, that Anglo-

work of the Anglican-Roman with the ordination of women.
Catalolic International Commission have been published ety are at opposite ends of the statements have been taking and distributed to parishes, church spectrum.

an increasingly strong tone. Its director is Dr David Samuel, heavy, according to the sociheavy, according to the soci-A spokesman estimated that

more than a thousand clergy

might want to be members of

England", and they were pre-

pared to see n national net-work of dioceses and parisher Church. Catholics might start a "conAs part of its campaign, tinning Church of England" if
90,000 leaflets attacking the the General Synod persisted

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new controls

to counter gold

Will on High

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

bullion fraud

announce new regulations for the bullion market in a fresh attempt to prevent main dealers such as Johnson Matthey Bankers being abused by value-added tax gold fraudsters

According to Customs sources, JMB and other dealers have only accepted current voluntary controls when it has suited them.

On other occasions it is suspected that firms have opted out because of fears their share of gold trading might be reduced.

JMB has continued to opt in and out of controls, according to Customs and City sources, since the Bank of England took control of its affairs after its collapse with losses of £240 million in 1984.

The controls amount to paying VAT direct to Customs rather than to the third party selling the gold. Today Cus-toms will announce that from April all the 100 dealers accepting the control system will have to stick rigidly to paying the VAT direct to the Government.

The change has been agreed with the main figures in the gold market and Customs is confident VAT frauds will be eroded. Since 1981 over £60 million has been lost in VAT frauds involving £400 million

Customs officials will today when the gold frauds started to nnounce new regulations for emerge early this decade.

In November 1984 Customs started a system whereby gold dealers could pay VAT on gold purchases direct rath-er than to the vendors who were supposed to pay the 15 per cent to Customs collectors under the regulations.

The attraction of the system for Customs officials was that it should have prevented situations where vendors smug-gled gold into Britain, created false companies and sold their gold into the legitimate mar-

The smugglers or their gobetweens were paid the market price for their gold plus the VAT. By the time Customs officials moved in to claim payment the smugglers and the VAT had vanished.

But the system was discretionary for the dealers and some dealers paid the VAT to Customs on some occasions and not on others. Investigators suspect this

might have been done by some dealers because gold on occasion was being offered at a good price and dealers were gold sources although it meant paying the VAT to the vendor.

In defence of the dealers it is said that they would pass the VAT to the traders because

they might be well-known Customs and the Treasury firms against whom there first began to take measures could be no suspiction of fraud. Civil Servants seek

cent were sought yesterday for and a government commit-350,000 Civil Servants, in a ment to allow Civil Servants claim submitted by four

The Civil and Public Services Association, the Society of Civil and Public Servants. the Inland Revenue Staff Federation and the Civil Service Union agreed the common claim for £10 a week plus 10 per cent from April 1.

They also want "tangible rogress" towards the intro- down by the other unions.

Pay rises averaging 17 per duction of a minimum wage to catch up with other work-

The unions say they have fallen behind by 30 per cent The First Division Association, for senior Civil Servants, is lodging its own claim, and the Institution of Professional Civil Servants has decided to negotiate with the Government on pay proposals turned



lunchtime rally, attacking a were indiscriminate and were met with laughter and cheers overturning cars and setting hy young and old olike. them alight, Outside n har built and run

Later, in the Newtownards Road, east Belfast, 500 youths attacked RUC officers with railings and paving stones after overturning a larry and forming o makeshift barricade

About 100 masked youths

police on the Ballyfillan estate cars were 1 jacked and hurnt in the middle of the road.

At the entrance to Stormoot and government huildings. gangs of 40 pickets accompanied by leading Democratic Unionist politicians waving union jacks supped ull vehi-cles and hunded nut leaflets commercial area. The attacks threw petrol bombs at the while the police sat and

watched from a parked car. blocked for several hours after oil and nails were strewn At Bullynahinch, the charred remains of a burnt-out across the carriageway, while unionist pickets operated ot Chinese take-away food store were dragged across the road many of the main roundabouts and slip roads leading on to it. Trees were felled to block many minor roads as loyalists to form a barricade. An agricoltural convny caused traffic delays by moving slowly through the town as young

men in paramilitary uniforms and masks stood aimlessly The M1 motorway was of Ulster
Violence
deplored
by MPs

Philip Was By Philip Webster Political Reporter

Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, was joined by Labour Party spokesmen yesterday in con-demning the violence and

intimidation marking the oneday strike in the province.

Mr King said that the action was intended to show the fullhearred attitude of Northern Ireland people, If that was the case why was it necessary to mumidate people to the ex-

tent that had been going on? Mr Merlyn Rees, a former Labour Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, called on the Government to make contingency plans to deal with the outbreak of violence that would occur between the communities if the union between Britain and Northern Ireland

People who proclaimed their Britishness were telling the Government and Parliament that they did not accept their decisions. "The union of Northern Ireland with Great Britain is at risk when the unionists cock a snook at the Government. Mr King said that he hoped

the union was not in danger. Mr Peter Archer, Labour spokesman on Northern Ireland, said that it was time the unionist leaders "ceased to be dictated to by the so- called

Specialist supports Savage

the protest against the Anglolrish agreement quickly

sinmped into sporadic violence and attacks on the Royal Ulster Constabulary and men

and women wishing to work.

Gangs of Invalists, many in

paramilitary-style noiforms.

sume wearing masks and hlack balaclavas, congregated

in city streets and roamed

country towns to enforce the

message, "Ulster says stop", In Invalist areas public

houses closed, shops shut and

roads in many areas were scorched with the blackened

marks of horning cors. Glass

was strewn across streets and

wrecked vehicles were dumped

in side streets. In Belfast, the pall of black smoke was a frequent sight in working-class loyalist strongholds to

the north and east of the city.

Some of the warst violence occurred to the city centre

when hundreds of youths went

on a rampage at the end of a

modern public house, and

hy Roman Catholics, demon-

straturs screamed, "We know

ynu", while others threw

bricks and sticks through

plate glass windows as they fled along two streets in a

By Nicholas Timmins Social Services Correspondent

The decision by Tower Hamlets Health Authority in east London to suspend Mrs Wendy Savage over allegations of incompetence was totally unjustified, a specialist in obstetrics said yesterday.

The inquiry into her future as an obstetrician was told that Professor Jurgis Grudzinskas, her head of department, was saying even before he took up his appoint-ment in 1983 that "his first task was to change his senior lecturer," the post Mrs Savage

Professor Ronald Taylor, professor of obstetrics at the medical school of St Thomas's and Guy's, told the inquiry that he considered Mrs Savage competent. "I would be per-fectly happy to work with her", he said.

In the five cases over which she is charged with incompetence there were "quite a number of instances where things occurred which one would have preferred not to have occurred". But they did not warrant the charge of

There were many small issues such as a mother going into labour anaemic, and one or two other circumstances where I think I would have taken different views".

He told the inquiry of a conversation he had with Professor Grudzinskas at the Athenaeum Club in London after Professor Grudzinskas had been appointed, but be-fore he took up his appoint-

"I was trying to be helpful and asked him how things were going and among other things he told me that his first task was to change his senior

Although Professor Grudzinskas did not name Mrs Savage, Professor Taylor said he found the comment "a líttle hít disturbing".

He said: "I was a hit worried" and passed on advice that he had been given when appointed a professor himself, that it could take 10 years to get a department working the way you wanted it to. Mrs Savage was suspended in 1985.

Professor Taylor told the inquiry that Mrs Savage was at the opposite end of the spectrum of abstetric care but that he thought she stood fairly close to me". Her practice fell within the amhit of "what is medically acceptable".

The inquiry contines today.

Lloyd's call on Hailsham

The Prime Minister has been asked to instruct Lord Hailsham. of St Marylebone.the Lord Chan-cellor, to get rid of his interests in the Lloyd's insurance mar-

Mr Brian Sedgemore, Labour MP for Hackney South Shoreditch, last night tabled a Commons written question asking for Lord we feel that we have not Hailsham to act before the Financial Services Bill reached the House of Lords. We are tremendausly excited".

New terminal will not cut congestion

By Michael Baily Transport Editor

Heathrow's £200 million Terminal Four will not mean any extra flights at the hardssed airport this year, it was confirmed yesterday. Unlike the existing termi-nals, it is outside Heathrow's

main runway system, so air-craft using it will have to cross a runway used for take-off or landing. Air traffic controllers say

that Heathrow's south runway adjoining the terminal, due to be opened by the Prince and Princess of Wales next month, will have to be blocked off to aircraft up to six miles out for

100 to 150 flights a day. That means that an expect ed improvement from 34,5 to

terminal is expected to handle

35 movements an hour on the runway this year will not take place, and congestion may occur between 10am and noon and between 5pm and 7pm.



Pickets and wire rule roads Continued from page 1 allowing doctors and norses

solve. It is best just to let the

people have their head."

The roads between Belfast and the border were almost totally deserted. The Customs men at Newry reported that traffic from Belfast was practically non-existent. The busy arterial routes yesterday contained only a few private cars and a little local traffic.

in stannebly loyalist areas even garages which stayed open on Christmas Day closed yesterday. Shops, banks and even the bars and pubs were locked and bolted.

Even the smallest towns had barricades of vehicles or dehris blocking the main exit tontes. They were manned uften by youths biding their through. Others were not. The mood was angry and

effectively sealed off the towns

Mnira, Ballymena, Larne and Omagh for most of the day.

Newtownards, Comber,

sour. "We would eat grass rather than go into a united Ireland which is what this agreement would lead to." said a quarry man at the head of the roadblock outside the little town of Tanderagee. His fellows crowded around and injected their own comments in hitter bursts.

"They want to sell us into the hands of the Pope".

"Tom King is a robot like all the rest before him. They have all been programmed with the same tape.

"We have been bombed and shm at for 16 years and the

threatened to dismiss any

NGA members who did not

help to bring out the paper and

threatened to enter a single

union agreement with the

Talks ensued and a day later

The union agreed actively to

seek "a deal over the MGN

At the end of the year, some

time after the deadline for agreement had passed. Mr Maxwell announced a mir-

acle. That's not too exaggerated a word, he said. The

union had agreed to 2,100

redundancies, all but 300 of

A bid to buy the two

electricians.

survival plan

them voluntary.

will in a vote the ballot papers are torn up by Westminster

"Thatcher is in the pay of Reagan and the BBC is the vnice of the IRA.

and thrown in nur faces."

Reports were coming through on the radio of intimidatinn in Belfast. They were furious. In areas like this there has been none. "There is no need. Here everyone is solid in

saying no to the agreement. In areas like Portadown, 2 staunchly Protestant town with a significant Cutholic minority near whose homes the shops were vesterday trading as normally, and where support for the strike was not unanimous, the alternative, as the men at the barricades were so ready to demonstrate, was

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An Aids isolation unit is withdraw dismissal notices. last night.

Mr David Mellor, Minister of State at the Home Office, said in a Commons answer last night that part of Brixton prison's hospital complex will be converted into an isolation unit for treating patients suf-fering from infectious dis-cases, including Aids. So far at

The 12-bed unit will be

A spokesman for the Prison

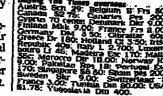
"Prison officers are more at risk than most people because there is always the risk they may be bitten by a prisoner, or be infected by a scratch."

yesterday after an inmate died from meningitis on Saturday (Peter Evans writes).

A second prisoner was in an

penses at parliamentary and local elections.

county constituencies will be able to spend up to £3,240 with 3.7p for every elector, compared with £2,700 and 3.1p per elector at present. In borongh constituencies the same increase applies with the



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17% pay increase

A breath of fresh French air is blowing through Harrods. Until April 12th we shall be celebrating the chic and savoir-faire of life across the Channel — so near and yet so different. Fabulous fashion, avant-

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faces with scarves bearing the result is this agreement. The up to 40 seconds each time a planes asing terminal four plane has to taxi across it. The will have to cross a runway colours of local Protestant football teams. Some were is does vinlence pay?" Fudging to the edge of Armageddon

By Richard Dowden

Soon after Mr Robert Maxwell took over the Mirror Group Newspapers in July 1984 he said: "People in MGN know that I do not bluff."

He was threatening to close down the four titles if the unions interfered with production. It is a threat he has repeated publicly at least six Mr Maxwell's style has been

to threaten Armageddon in public and then negotiate. with dire threats hanging over the union negotiators. But his success in achieving the one-third cut in staff at MGN has come less from his public posturing than his division of the company, so that he could have recourse to the 1982 Act concerning secondary picketing in the event of a strike.

The first confrontation came over the Sparing Life. It was being 13 million a person of the strike prillion of the strike prillion.

was losing £3 million a year

By Rohin Young

New technology willing there are some 1.5 million

copies of n new newspaper on sale today. Mr Eddy Shah's column tabloid *Today* started to

roll off the presses at Poyle, near Slough. Birmingham and Manchester shortly after 6pm last night, editorial deadlines having been brought forward in the interests of printing as many croics as pressible.

many copies as possible. Mr Shah's new project revo-

lutinnized Fleet Street before o

single copy was printed. The prospect of a low-cost competi-

tor using the full capabilities

of new print technology includ-ing full page make-up by computer has galvanized es-tablished Fleet Street manage-

ments into modernization

The announcement of Mr Shah's plans signalled the start of a race to the London

docklands in which first place

has been settled by Mr Rnpert Murdoch's success in transfer-ring the four News Interna-tional titles, including *The* Times, to his Tower Hamlets

plant in Wapping.

Mr Shah predicted yesterday that the launch of his paper spelt the end of Fleet Street. "I do not think I can be hlamed for that. Fleet Street

born and change has long been

nverdue", he said. Mr Brian MacArthur, the

Today editor, said: "There are

lots of people out there who

would have to see us fail, but we

are over our teething prob-lems. The last dummy issue

which we prepared for Sonday

was the best we had done, one

tremendnusly

programmes of their nwn.

and he wanted to move publi- versible and further negotiacation from Fleet Street to south Landon In mid-August last year

objection to this move by ed their publication, drew up dismissal notices for the journalists, and said that the printers had dismissed themselves by breaking their con-

said. "Nothing remarkable in the changes in working cies. The unions, having learnt practice. Mr Tony Dubhins, their lesson, refused to negotigeneral secretary of the National Graphical Association, all was lifted. Sogat voted to Mr Maxwell said later, "If

Dummy issues of the news-paper have been produced

regularly since February 25.

although none was prepared on the eve of the launch so that production staff had full op-

portunity to ensure there would be no last-minute hitch-

es with their machinery as the hunch issue was being print-

"It is frightening and abso-

lutely shattering to your confi-

dence when a computer system

fails because you never know how long it is guing to last",

Mr Jeremy Deedes, the man-

One computer failure in the

newsroom last week lasted two

hnurs, but Mr Deedes said

that was a risk with all

Mr Shah's company, News

(UKL is invulved in litigation

with the company which Origi-

aging editor, said.

computer systems.

tions will be useless." It was in November that his biggest battle started. Almost printers registered their out of the blue he announced that he would close the papers disrupting production of the unless the unions would agree other titles. Mr Maxwell halt- 10 lose 2,000 jobs by the end of

the year. He was "not bluffing", he said. He issued dismissal notices to all 6,000 employees and The Sporting Life was to be sold. "Historie". Mr Maxwell said. "Nothing remarks!" Mr Maxwell said. "Nothing remarks!" said he wanted a genuine fresh

Mr Maxwell's first reaction

production at Holborn Circus was to stop production but is interrupted once more, the within 34 hours he reversed decision to abandon the print-ing of all MGN titles at stead to bring out the papers in Holborn Circus will be irre- spite of the strike. So he

nally wired its electrical sys-tems, which are said to suffer

from electrical interference.

The editors were confident yesterday that the problem

had been completely remedied. Mr MacArthur expected to

attempt on more than two

edition changes last night, but Mr Shah claims that when the

fully tested it will be possible

to have a reporter's account of an event on the printed page within 15 minutes, and colour pictures within two hours.

The staff were pleased with the reception for Today's first

televisino commerciat, in

which they were seen donning

Leading article, page 13.

ing W.H. Smith.

Mr Shah (left) consulting Mr MacArthur, the editor, during

production of Today last night.

Today presses start to roll to ban

By Alan Hamilton

International publications banned from the capital's schools and colleges.

Miss Lesley Hammond, chief whip of the authority's Labour group, has written to every Labour-nominated school and college governor, urging them to pass a resolu-

print workers and their families by tabling a resolution to the next meeting of their governing bodies which would call on the school or college to cancel orders of perspane

ing Labour Party and trade union groups in the hope of persuading further councils and other bodies not to buy News International papers.

dark glasses and shouting, "We're ready, Eddy". ment expects to meet Mr Norman Willis, TUC general Today is distributed by a network of franchisees, includsecretary, this week for exploratory talks on the dispute over the company's Wapping plant.

Scottish papers, the Daily Record and the Sunday Mail, owned by Mr Maxwell, was launched in Glasgow yesterllea drive The Times

The controlling Labour group on the Inner London Education Authority has launched a campaign to have The Times and other News

urging them to pass a resolu-tion cancelling orders for News International papers. The letter says: "Labour governors may wish to draw attention to the plight faced by

cancel orders of newspapers owned by News International." Similar action at a Stafford-

shire public library has led Mr John Riley, a barrister, to threaten to apply to the courts Leaders of the print union. Sogat '82, announced yesterday that they intended to step up their campaign of addressing Labour Party and tend.

The company's manage-

Aids unit set up in prison By Richard Evans Lobby Reporter normal publication was re-sumed. Mr Maxwell agreed to

being set up in Brixton prison to treat the growing number of inmates in Britain's jails suffering from the fatal disease. the Government confirmed

least one prisoner has died from the disease.

staffed by prison hospital officers, and take Aids victims from any prison in Britain.

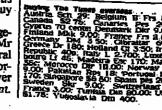
Officers Association said yesterday there had been growing concern among members about the Aids. Prisons have a much higher proportion, compared to the outside world, of homosexuals and drug addicts who are the main : groups at risk.

Winchester prison was closed to the outside world

outside hospital, and others had influenza-like symptoms. which could be meningitis but had not been diagnosed.

Increase in election cash Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, yesterday raised the limit for candidates ex-

Parliamentary candidates in amount per elector going up from 2.3p to 2.8p.



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Bishop 'suspicious' of gifts for man to get salvation from devil

The Bishop of Chichester East Sussex, then that they September 25 to discuss the said yesterday he had been were with a jeweller in East problem and had been introduced that Mr Derry Main-Grinstead, West Sussex.

Grinstead, West Sussex.

Knight was dedicated to Sabeen paid over, and suggested to Mr Baker and the Rt Rev before he had been born the Lloyd Morrell, then Bishop of Rt Rev Eric Kemp sold Maidstone Crown Court

Dr Kemp was giving evi-dence on the 11th day of the £200,000 by deception.

Dr Kemp, aged 71, said that the Rev John Baker, the rector of Newick who was raising money for Mr Knight from himself from Satanism. It is committed Christians, had told him that more Satanic regalia had to be bought after tians on high living, fast cars he had already purchased a

chalice, sceptre, ring and other regalia for about £70,000.

He said that he first heard of Mr Baker's fund-raising efforts for Mr Knight at the end of June 1984 and had become increasingly concerned and eventually reported the matter to the police in November 1984.

Dr Kemp said that Mr Knight would wear the Satanic regalia while he sat within a pentacle in the Satanic Tem-ple, an underground air-raid shelter in Hockley Woods,

"There was a gold piece fitted over his toes and fastened around his ankle. There was also a gold headpiece which covered the place where he had had a trepanning operation on his forebead, which had involved the insertion of two discs connected with communication with the

Devil", Dr Kemp said. There was also a disc, which I was not clear about at the time, and talk of an inverted cross. Mr Baker told me that when Mr Knight wore these items standing in the temple he went into a trace and the Devil spoke through him, giving commands to other leaders of the order." Mr Baker had told him later

that the items were being kept by a jeweller in Eastbourne,

waring Knight, the self-con- Dr Kemp said he insisted fessed Satanist, was there should be verification He had also heard that Mr been bought after money had that the items had, in fact, Lewes, that they should see them or have photographs takeo of them.

But Mr Baker told him that trial of Mr Knight aged 46, of Mr Knight had refused claim that the throne was in a flat, Dormans Land, Surrey, who ing the Satanists would be off Pall Mall, central London, belonging to the head of the Mr Knight had refused claim- that the throne was in a flat, come suspicious and

jeopardize the operation.

- Mr Knight claimed he needhimself from Satanism. It is alleged he used the cash obtained from wealthy Chris-

Dr Kemp said that he first heard of Mr Baker's fund-raising efforts at the end of June 1984 and had immediately phoned the rector to ask what was happening.
Mr Baker told him that Mr

Knight was a grand archdea-con in a Satanic order in Essex, who owed £7,500 to other members of the order, but who wanted to leave to live as a Christian.

simple way of penitence and committing himself to Christ and receiving absolution.

Under cross-examination by Mr Michael West, QC, for the defence the Birther Co. By the end of July, Dr Kemp had decided he wanted more investigations and appointed two people to look into the matter further.

Dr Kemp said he became increasingly concerned and reported the matter to the situation with Mr Knight because he had been told that Mr Knight did not wish to police on November 30, 1984. He had met Mr Baker oo

Mr Michael Warren, a farmer and former High Sheriff of East Sussex, told the court that he handed over a total of £55,500 to Mr Baker between October 1983 and February

duced briefly to Mr Knight. The next day Mr Baker told

met Mr Baker and was told

"I was told it was in a

when more and more money

Satanic objects", he added. ...

the defence, the Bishop insist-

ed that he did not discuss the

London.

Mr Warren said he shared the opinion of many of the dooors that oo prosecution should have been brought against Mr Knight. He described Satanism as

very much a potent source of evil in this country, and every step should be taken to stamp it out and free people from it. The case continues today.



The Omnibot 2000 robot The robot, making an ap-shows a touch of high tech-nological efficiency as it House 2000 display at the panders to one of mankind's Ideal Home Exhibition, is in the weaknesses. Ideal Home Exhibition, is made by the Japanese firm

Making art feel at home

By Patricia Clough

having one's bathmb convert-ed into a whirlpool.

Photographs seem to be the

The Arts Council is trying to coax the flying ducks and blue-faced Chinese girls down from the walls of the British living room and put "real art"

With the department store, Liberty, it has crected a Hollywood-style Greek temple, which it calls a "living art pavilion", in the middle of the Ideal Home Exhibition. Inside are 60 paintings, scalptures; drawings and photographs, by modern British artists, which have been chosen to demonstrate how good modern art

can look in a domestic setting.
If a David Hockney colour lithograph, "View of Hotel Well 2", is a bit steep for most The Arts Council says it wants to encourage private support for the arts, alongside the burden it bears itself. at £3,000, a pen and ink drawing of a sheep hy Henry Moore costs £800, less than

With a vast backdrop of the National Gallery overlooking the sceoe at one end, and king George V's declaration that the foundations of national glory are set in the homes of the people" writ large at the Photographs seem to be the best bargain, however. A striking black and white shot by former Life photographer George Rodger of a zebra, doing what is fashionably called a Maori insult, can be best for \$100. other, conscientions visitors to the exhibition should not fail

to get the message. The Daily Mail Ideal Home Exhibition is open at Earls Court from March 4 to 31.

Damages claimed from late father for loss of mother

A brother and sister who their father's estate for the loss

of their mother. Mr George Smith, aged 57, a clerk, was largely to blame for the crash in which he and his wife Mary, aged 47, a hotel secretary, died in 1979. Deborah, their daughter,

who was aged 16 at the time, was knocked unconscious and suffered serious injuries. She was in hospital for six weeks undergoing extensive surgery and has lost the sight of her right eye.

She is aged 23 oow, married and living in East Looe, Cornwall. She has already received almost £41.000 for

her own injuries. David, her brother, who was aged 11 and is now 18, has been paid £2,500 for his injuries after suffering paio, shock, bruising and cuts.

The children also shared in the £7,250 paid to their father's estate for the accident. His car was in a head-on collision with a bus at Sutton Green, oear Woking, Surrey.

saw their parents die in a car crash claimed damages yesterday in the High Court from dent was "a catastrophe for dent was "a calastrophe for what had been a happy

family", The children had nowhere to go before being taken io by a distant relative in Highfield Road, Northwood, south-east London, where David, who is

unemployed and still affected by the deaths, continues to Mr Smith's estate, the Thames Valley and Aldershot Omnibus Company and the driver all admit liability for the accident but are contesting the amount of damages they should pay for the mother's

The brother and sister had to make a claim against their late father's estate for the damages for their own injuries and for the loss of their mother, as it had been agreed that he was largely responsible

for the accident.
In effect it is the father's insurers and the insurers of the bus company and their driver who would pay.

The case continues today.

Derelict

land still

increasing

By Hugh Claytoo

Government spending of more than £350 million on

reclamation has failed to stop the growth of derelict land, experts appointed by mioisters reported yesterday.

Professor Anthony

Police 'lie in 30% of trials'

Perjury by police officers is elieved by barristers to occur on average in three out of every 10 trials in both the magistrates and crown courts, according to an article in this week's New Law Journal.

A straw poll of 55 barristers conducted by Mr David Wolchover, a member of the criminal Bar for 14 years, showed that 75 per cent said that in their experience that was a reasonable estimate.

Eight barristers sampled (15 er cent) thought it occurred in only one or two trials in 10 "Obviously these figures do not mean that 27 per cent of

London police officers habit-

ually commit perjury. The statistic relates to trials, not

Bradshaw, professor of botany at Liverpool University, who led the study, said that the only available figures for the whole of England showed that almost 17,000 hectares of land had been reclaimed from derelictioa between 1974 and 1982.

the area of the Isle of Wight. in the same period the amount of land classed as derelict had risen from 43,273 bectares to 45.683 hectares. Transforming Our Waste Land (Stationery Office £9.95).

That is equal to about half of

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Violence check on children

The Independent Broadcasting Authority will try to violence by "deprogramming" 50 normal schoolchildren who might be affected by viewing violeot incidents nightly.

The experiment comes amid increasing coocern that television violence desensitizes young people's tolerance

of aggression in society.

The IBA rescarch team will attempt to "resensitize" the schoolchildren by talking about aspects of television in schools and theo measuring whether they become less

aggressive. The study will also attempt to measure whether unemployment affects the children's attitude to violence.

Mr Robert Towler, the IBA's head of research, emphasized that the experiment would be based on the "hypothetical" notion that television had a desensitizing

But he said that courses in television literacy in schools were likely to become commonplace in the future.

The amount of unregulared material that will come into People will, over the next few years, come to realize that you can't block things at source, hut you have got to face the kids themselves and education is going to be important."

Buil's sponsors, who come from all parties, would prefer to put forward a modified formula, so that at least some limited measure of control is introduced into current procedure in cases of child abuse. the home is going to grow. People will, over the next few

Abuse Bill for young at risk

The Bishop of Chichester leaving court yesterday

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

A compromise on a Conservative MP's proposals for more saleguards for child abuse victims is being dis-cussed in an effort to win government support.

The Government has made clear it intends to oppose the private member's Bill put forward by Mr Dennis Walters, MP for Westbury, which would require the approval of a child, placed in local authority care because of ill treatment

was returned to its hon The Department of Health and Social Security wants Mr Walters to drop that proposa from his Children and Young Persons (Amendment) Bill which has received a second reading in the Commons,

Officials are concerned that the proposal, launched in the wake of the Jasmine Beckford case, will cause delays and introduce inflexibility into sitnations where responsiveness and sensitivity are needed. Officials are also against piecemeal legislation, when an overhaul of child care law is underway which is likely to lead to a coherent body of law. But Mr Walters and the

£1,700 for sheep loss

A woman whose dogs were seen chasing sheep was ordered to pay £1,700 compented that neither dog had a sation yesterday to a farmer collar, and was fined a total of who lost 29 sheep after they

had been savaged.

Miss Kelly St John, aged 24, formerly of Bradford, West Yorkshire, but oow of Rotherhithe, east London, denied that her two black chows were responsible.

She was convicted by mag-istrates at Bradford of being £4,000.

The court was told that witnesses saw two black chows chasing the sheep.

The farmer, Mr Peter Healey, of Wilsden, ocar Healey, of Wilsoen, Bradford, said that several incidents had led to losses of incidents had led to losses of operation on Friday.

Gowrie to head Sotheby's

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

Lord Gowrie, the former in Britain towards the end of this year, Mr Julian Thomoson, the present chairman of Sotheby's, will step down and take over the chairmanship of Sotheby's International, the post taken up by Lord Gowrie when he joined Sotheby's last

The chain of command within the Sotheby's empire will now run from the proprietor, Mr A.Alfred Taubman, chairman of the board, to the Aiosley, to the two regional chairmen, Mr John Marion, for the Americas, and Lord Gowrie for the rest of the world.

Mr Thompsoo pointed out yesterday that it had been considered incorrect to put Lord Gowrie in charge of the British company directly after his resignation as Arts Minister, as there might have been clashes of interest. After he has speot his first year learning about the firm on the international side, he will be brought back to Britain.

The United Kingdom oper tions, and the world east of the Atlantic, will be run by Lord Gowrie, Mr Thompson, who will also be United Who will also be United Kingdom vice-chairman, and Mr Tim Llewellyn, managing director of Sotheby's in the United Kingdom.

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Heart girl is improving

Kirsty Vowles, aged three, of Ridley's Court, Pound Hill, Crawley, Sussex, the world's youngest heart and lung transplant patient, was improving steadily yesterday io Harefield Hospital, Middlesex, where

French birds pay price for victory

which were released during a rugby match, have had a stay

French fans released the birds after their team beat Wales at the international

Fans laughed and cheered. as Inspector Ralph Evans, of the RSPCA, and a ground steward raced on to the pitch and tried to capture one of the

The birds were unable to fly to safety as they had been painted red, white and blue.
At least one of the confused painted red, white and blue.

At least one of the confused cocks had ribbons in the ence, of stuffing them under

Last night, the birds, all

apparently in good health, were being cared for at the Merthyr Tydfil home of a society inspector.

The birds, which had been

muggled across the Channel by fans, could introduce fowl pest or other diseases Britain. Because of this they may be be killed.

Mr Bert Thomas, an RSPCA superintendent, said: "I think people who do this are heartless. It is terrible to

Five French cockerels, French national colours tied jackets or into holdalls and birth were released during a around its seck. of thousands of people."

Mr Ray Williams, secretary of the Welsh Rugby Union, said they were totally opposed to the practice but as 60,000 people attended the match it was unrealistic to body search

A spokesman for the Ministry of Agriculture said the birds would be held in quarantipe for 35 days to see whether they carried any disease.

"If they are healthy they will be all right, so long as good homes can be found for

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Plan to improve Welsh valleys

ENVIRONMENT

Details of a new initiative to improve the environment of the improve the environment of the South Wales valleys were given in the Commons by Mr Nichotas Edwards. Secretary of State for Wales, when he opened a debate on Welsh affairs. The objective, he explained, was to misure that the valleys shared in the regeneration of the rest of South Wales.

Besides road and rail communications on which they were

nications on which they were doing much, he said there was a great deal which could be done io improve the valley environ-ment. This was especially true of the town centres and the areas leading to them, where poorly maintained buildings and a damaged environment sold short the enormous attractions which the valleys had to offer The Welsh Office would seek

to trigger a series of coordinated initiatives by local authorities and private and voluntary organizations to improve these areas. He was not proposing Welsh Office solutions.

Where communities had sound ideas and the willingness to back them, the Welsh Office would focus the many existing mechanisms of assistance and would also make available additional resources to reinforce them, and to promote the contributions which was nec-

essary from the private sector.

Mr Edwards said he was making available in 1986-87 for this valley initiative, on top of other Government funding. £2 million of special capital allocations for housing-related initia-tives and £1 million from urban tives and £1 million from urban programme resources quite to rise since. The acceleration in

tion of £3 million for housing priority estates projects, much

when the Bishop spoke recently about the need for financial pump priming for community self-help. That is exactly what (he said) I am seeking to

cuts were false.
There was considerable con-

Investigations by the Westland yet been identified, he said, but helicopter company have revealed that one of the six shareholders said to have a 20 per cent shareholding in the company is TNT Ltd. an Australian company. Lord La-cas of Chilworth. Under Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said during question time in the House of Lords

The beneficial owners of the mind of other five shareholdings had not Donington

priority estates projects, mach of which would go to the valleys. Inevitably the bulk of developments under this initiative would fall in later years and those planning these projects could work on the assumption that the Government would want to reinforce successful.

want to reinforce successful schemes in the years ahead. South Cardiff and Swansca had shown what could be achieved; the opportunity was there for the valleys as well. He did not always agree with the Bishop of Durham but he felt that for once they perhaps shared a common approach

Health authorites were having to face up to difficult decisions about priorities. That would always be the situation because funds could not be infinite while demand was virtually un-limited. They were dealing with the problems of an expanding service and changing needs and the allegations of widespread

cern about waiting lists which had risen under this Government just as they had under the last. There was one difference between the situation then and now and that was that already hy 1984 they were treating 63.000 or 18 per cent more in-patients than in 1979 and 51,000 or 12 per cent more out-

Westland shares

inquiries. In answer to later questioning Lord Bruce of Donington parallel to the one being con-ducted by Westland. The sus-picion that the Government had

the company was pursuing its

(Lab) he said the Government had not held its own inquiry because that would have run anything to hide lay only in the mind of Lord Bruce of and in the range of services bad been far greater than under Labour It was a remarkable achievement. Health authorities had been checking on their waiting lists and reported that in many cases the numbers m-cluded double counting. But that was no consolation to the patients who were having to wait and he was now undertak-ing a major exercise with health



for the elderly

industry in South Wales had undergone a major change, hastened and made more severe by the miners' strike. The workforce had responded very positively to good management and the result had been a dramatic increase in performance. Productivity had in-creased by 46 per cent in eight months and the coalfield, which had been losing £100 million or more a year, expected to break even in the March quarter. That was a remarkable achievement It had enabled the NCB to announce since the beginning of the financial year investment of £80 million, the largest capital development programme in so short a time in the bistory of the

There were good grounds for thinking they bad now reached the end of a period of decline that had lasted for many decades in South Wales and caused much hardship.

After detailing some of the wide range of projects started in Wales in the past year. Mr Edwards said the Welsh Office. and Mid-Wates Development Agency and Mid-Wates Development were working up further pro-grammes to help job creating business activity in rural areas. He boped to announce details within the next few weeks.

The growth of the long-term

unemployed was a particularly disturbing aspect. During the past year they had more than doubled the number of available places on the community proplaces on the community programme and the Manpower Services Cummission was well on the way to meeting the June target of 20,500 filled places.

Under the urban programme they had increased resources from £7.1 million in 1979-80 to £70 million in 1984-87.4 teach

£29 million in 1986-87. It had proved possible to approve 200 new schemes at a total cost of £14.4 million for 1986-87, which represented a 53 per cent increase in the value of new schemes approved over 1985-

86.

By far the most significant urban development grant project approved was the £42 million redevelopment of the Bute East Dock area in Cardiff by Tarmac which was now well underway. They were now looking at what development opportunities might be created in the wider South Cardiff area if they were to construct a if they were to construct a barrage across the harbour mouth. They were awaiting the results of the feasibility studies.

In tackling housing derelic-tion, they were launching a further phase with new projects in Merthyr Tydfil, Pontypool, the Rhymney Valley and Barry In total, special capital alloca-tions of £3 million would be made for projects in 1986-87 and they were providing extra

Mr Barry Jones, chief Oppo-sition spokesman on Wales, said the Secretary of State should raise in Cabinet the need for extra help for old people in Wales during the present freezing weather. The Principality's housing problems were arguably the worst in Britain. It was these leaking, draughty homes, particularly in south Wales, that

contained the elderly people who were very much at risk.
All Opposition MPs mailbags strongly featured the issue of Sunday trading. The Govern-ment would be well advised to exclude Wales from the proMinisters had under-estimated the disquiet and opposition to it The Secretary of State wing

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gled somewhat on the issue of rates. It had been estimated that since 1980-81 something like £451 million cash had been lost to Welsh local authorities m terms of rate support grant and penalues. Mr Edwards must work with the local authorities and not attack them. It was his failure to adopt that approach that led him to one lof the most incredible U-turns in the history of Weisb Office ministers.

The concept of funding the valleys was welcome. Any help for these heleaguered communities was most desirable. If the scheme could be enhanced with much greater cash backing in

much greater cash backing in would be better still. What was being offered initially in terms of the coaifield and valley of the coanted and value communities was not enough. Sir Raymond Gower (Vale of Glamorgan, C) said there were obvious advantages in dealing with unemployment by increasing the activity in the building and construction industries. and construction industries.

These were industries which were on the whole fairly labour-intensive, did not use a great number of imported products and which brought advantages.

There was a strong case for increasing the production of the building and construction industries more than anything that had yet been contemplated He hoped this would be done and not least in Wales. He hoped the Government would give this serious consideration.

Mr Geralat Howells (Ceredigion and Pembroke North, L) said that each year, the cause for celebration of St David's Day was less and less. An ailing economy and mountmg unemployment made any optimism fade away. Could Mr Edwards deny that one of the Wales University colleges was

Mr Edwards said be had not heard the vaguest suggestion about such a closure. Mr How-ells really should not come to the House and invent things like

Mr Howells said Mr Edwards should not get excited. These rumours had been circulating in

Tebbit's time on ministerial duties

QUESTIONS

Mr Norman Tebbit was chal-lenged in the Commons about the amount of time he spent on his duties as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

He said he devoted as much

time as necessary to carry out those duties "Fully and effectively." Mr Tebbit, who is chairman of the Conservative Party, said be estimated that last week three hours was required for them.

week three hours was required for them.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Lab) said some of Mr Tebhit's own Cabinet colleagues such as Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, and Mr John. Biffen. Leader of the Commons would prefer Mr Tebbit to spend more time looking after the affairs of the Duchy of Lancaster

Is it altogether a councidence (he asked) that since Mr Tebbit became party chairman the

(he asked) that since Mr Tebbit became party chairman the Tory Party has gone even further down in the polls? Does he not connect that in any way with his taking over the job? Mr Tebbit: I do not answer in this House for my responsibilities as chairman of the Conservative Party. I would not abuse my post as Chancellor of the Duchy to do so here. I was very glad to note that the Home glad to note that the Home Secretary on Saturday was in vigorous and rancous form, busy stragging the Opposition. Mr Dennia Skinner (Bolsover, Lab): Does he recall

that his predecessor (the Earl of Gowrie, who was also Minister for the Arts) could not manage on £33,000 a year in the job he had, and that be went to other fields to feather his nest?

Mr Tebbit has just said he does about three hours of work for this £33,000 and it is not a bad number. Last week one of his playmates (Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services) said the Government would give single pensioners an extra 40 pence, just enough to buy a mustard

Mr Tebbit If Mr Skinner wa right about my salary he might conceivably have some sort of point. But I am not paid as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster through public funds. I do not receive a salary as a Chancellor minister from public funds. Cabinet minister from public funds. I do receive a nominal salary as Chancellor of the Duchy from the Duchy itself

Best wishes for Lord Chancellor

Congratulations and best ishes to Lord Hallsham of St cellor, following his marriage or Saturday, came from all sides of the House of Lords, when he took the Woolsack at the start of

Lord Elwyn-Jones, a former Lord Chancellor, said everyone had been delighted at the news. both in the House of Lords and

patside.

The photographs of the smiling Lord Chancellor at the weekend and of Spot the terrier in the arms of his bride really brought us all good cheer. We all wish the Lord Chancellor and Lady Hailsham of St Marylebone every possible happiness in the future.

the future.
Viscount Whitelaw, Lord
President of the Council and
Leader of the House of Lords,
and that all those on the
Government benches would wish Government beaches would wish to be associated with those good wishes. He had been delighted to read that the Lord Chancellor had looked dapper at the ceremony. Whether that was a description that could normally be applied to him was not for him to say.

Lord Hailsham of St Maryle-bone, rising from the Woolsack

to speak from the Woolsack to speak from the aside, said he was deeply grateful to all for their good wishes.

Nuclear waste protest

Mr Donglas Hogg (Grantham, C) unsuccessfully applied for an emergency debate on what he described as the anxieties, potential financial loss and planning blight caused by the announcement that Fulbeck Arrield in bis construency was a possible sight for the disposal a possible sight for the disposal of nuclear waste.

Minister hopeful despite many pit closures

COAL MINING

There was no truth whatever in the allegation of conspiracy by the Prime Minister and Mr Ian MacGregor in ensuring the coal strike took place and the allegation was nonsense. Mr Nicholas Edwards, the Secretary of State for Wales, said during Commons

questions.

Wales was probably reaching the end of the long historic process of decline in the coal mining industry.

Following the closure of several consistently

several consistently uneconomic collienes, the NCB had no current plans for further closures in South Wales and the industry could look forward to much greater stability and

renewed development.

Efforts to provide other employment opportunities were continuing using the instruments of regional industrial policy, the urban



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Development Agency and
drawing on the support of NCB
(Enterprise).

The NCB was now
undertaking a major
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Weish coalfield. There was substantial investment in the South Wales coalfield. including new equipment on the faces, which held out much better prospects for the future. Mr Ronald Davies (Caerphilly, Lab), who had asked whether Mr Edwards intended to take steps to provide further employment opportunities in the light of continuing colliery closures, said: It is not surprising we have heard nothing new yet again from the secretary of state. When is he going to show some sign of understanding, let alone

compassion and concern, of the effect of the Government's policies on the South Wales

valleys?

A report published today by the Department of Trade and Industry suggests that regional policy is effective and has created more than 600,000 jobs in Britain in the last 20 years. If he accepts the findings of If he accepts the findings of this report, sponsored by the department, why does he not ensure m Wales the logical conclusion of that report is accepted whereby we get much of the proper regional. of the proper regional investment policy to provide the jobs and infrastructure we need to replace jobs we are

losing? Mr Edwards: Regional policy Mir Edwards: Regional policy has an important part to play NCB (Enterprise) has got off to a very good start, supporting products in Wales at a cost of investment of more than £11 million and providing something like 1.400 jobs. That is a good start, I am also taking other instaltives: other industries.

other unitatives.
Mr Robert Harvey (South West Clwyd, Cr. Can he gave any estimate of the number of jobs lost as a result of the miners' strike last year?
Mr Edwards: No. I cannot There have been more than 6000 othe lost in mist have here

6,000 jobs lost in jots that have been closed down. The total effect of the strike we cannot tell. Clearly it affected a lot of other industries as well and a lot of smaller firms. Mr Gareth Wardell (Gower,

Lab): Has he got any plans at all to increase the proportion of the the working population living an parts of Wales eligible for regional development grant? Mr Edwards: We have carried out a major review of regional policy and I do not think it would be sensible, so soon after the last review, so recast the Sir Raymond Gower (Vale of Glamorgan. C): While there have been closures of pas in South Wales in recent years, the most marked decline in the coal industry in Wales occurred un-der a Labour government

Mr Edwards; That is true and it is true that the decline carried on for many decades. I think we probably reaching the end of the long historic process. Mr Raymond Powell (Ogmore,

Lab); Since the end of the miners' strike, which the Prime Minister and Mr Ian MacGregor and others conspired to ensure took place, every colhery in my constituency has now closed.

Timescale for Leyland bids 'laughable

The timescale for bids for Leyland vehicles — to counter the principal contender, General Motors of the United States -was laughable and made a mockery of the Government's claim to be serious about alter-nanve hids. Mr Jack Suraw (Blackburn, Lah) said when unsuccessfully seeking an emer-gency debate in order to force an extension of the March 4 dead-

He said the Government's refusal to extend the deadline was coupled with a refusal to provide appropriate information to enable Lanchashire Enterprises Lid to come up with properly costed bids for Leyland vehicles. Requests for information had met with a court blank tion had met with a point blank refusal. Hill Samuel would not provide information unless a series of operous conditions was met. They had put those behind the buy-out in a Catch 22 trap, because those conditions could be met only with information by Hill Samuel. The Government Hill Samuel. The Government was creating conditions that made it impossible for anyone other than General Motors to get to the starting line. It had taken GM nime months — and he understood they had not yet formally entered n bid. The National Carriers bny-out, which conservative MPs landed. National Carriers bny-out, which Conservative MPs lauded so much, had taken time months to reach fruition. Mr Edward Heath had said that Leyland was to be sacrificed and sold to GM as part of a private deal between the White House and Downing. Sureet From the way things looked, there was every possibility be was right. The deadline could not be extended unless there was an emergency debate that day, or on Tuesday

Opposition picture of arts funding false Mr Richard Luce, Mmister for

the Arts, countered Opposition criticism of Government funding of the arts by saving that a totally false picture had been painted. Mr Norman Buchan. Opposition spokesman on the arts, had said that the country was in the classic situation of asking "Why, if things are so good, they are so bloody awful" Mr Christopher Murphy (Wel-wyn Harfield,C) had said that the fact that there was a 7 per cent increase in real terms, with a 10 per cent merease overall in arts funding, with £20 million

arts funding, with £20 million business sponsorship, meant that there were excellent unplications for the arts.

Mr Luce: I agree enturely The picture painted by some of gloom, doom and despondency. is wrong and the Government has increased funding.

Mr Tony Banks (Newham North-West, Lab): Since 1982 83, if we exclude abolition money, which we must because it is an inadequate substitute for money previously put in by the metropolitan counties and the GLC, the real increase from the

Mr Luce said that diversity and plurality in funding were the strength of the arts. He added later that central

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Government had switched spending from local authorities to the extent of £43 million of taxpayers' money. The Government was relieving local authorities of an overall burden. Mr Norman Buchan: Theatres, music halls and concert halls are desperately auxious about the fall in momey they are received. fall in momey they are receiv

Mr Luce. He is painting a totally false picture

Edwards denies arm twisting

The Government would look at the capital structure of the Welsh Water Authority when it came to privatize and consider what was necessary in order in have a sensible structure, Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, said during nuestion time exchanges in the what was necessary in order in have a sensible structure, Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, said during question time exchanges in the Commons.

Commons.
Mr Raymond Powell (Ogmore, Lah) had asked how far he had screwed the arms of the authority's charman behind his back to see him to agree to authority's chairman behind his back to get him to agree to privalization of the water industry. For months before (he went on) and in all probability during the whole of 1985 John Effed Jones had probictly declared, together with his board, that he was against any sort of privatization. I would like an informity into what happened inquiry into what happened with the secretary of state and what pressure he put on the chairman of the Weish Water Authority to get his agreement?

Mr Edwards: The idea of me twisting someone's arm over the phone is interesting. If a received

standing by Mrs Ann Clwyd (Cynon Valley Lab)?

Mr Edwards: I have no desire ever to act as a sort of postbox hetween Mrs Clwyd and the chief executive of the water

chief executive of the water authority. They are quite able to conduct their exchanges directly and on their own.

Mir Edward Rowlands (Merthyr Tydfi) and Rhymney, Lab): The only way privatization of the water authority can progress is if the Government wipes off the vast majority of the authority's debts. If it can be done for the benefit of future shareholders, why not now for the vast why not now for the vast majority of Welsh water con-

Mr Edwards: We will be looking twisting someone's arm over the phone is interesting. If anyone imagines that John Elfed Jones is the sort of man to have his arm twisted in any case, he clearly does not know the man. He is well able to stick up for hintself and express his own views. He and the board will he considering proposals put forward in detail and bringing their.

Mr Edwards: We will be looking at the financial structure of the authority before privatization occurs. He cannot object to any reconstruction of the debt position. It is something for which have long pressed, particularly if it helps the considering proposals put forward in detail and bringing their.

which is directly for the benefit

Mr Dafydd Wigley (Caernarfon, Pl C): To make privatization viable it is necessary to write off £450 million of debt. Why not do it now and give even more benefit to consumers?

Mr Edwards: We will look at the capital structure when we come to privatize and consider what is necessary in order to have a sensible structure. It is not the capital structure at present which controls the borrowing of the water authors the party and the present authors to the party and the party authors to the p the water authority

In were lated down by the Treasury because of the need to control the totality of Government expenditure. That is the principal constraint on the capital programme in the present ome not the debt position of the water authority

Mr Barry Jones, chief Oppo-sition spokesman on Wales, asked if even at this late stage Mr Edwards would strive to exempt Wales from water privatization proposals.

Mr Edwards: I predict that privatization can go ahead and result in an improvement in the services and charging structure for the users of the Welsh Water Authority's services

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Medicine blacklist fight by epileptic

By Nicholas Timmins Social Services Correspondent

The Government is to face legal action over the blacklist of drugs for which the National Health Service will not pay. Mrs Belinda Chandler, aged 24, an epileptic patient, is to sue Mr Norman Fowler, Sec-retary of State for Social Services, after being denied treatment that her doctors believe is necessary.

Lawyers see it as a test case that could lead to an appeal system being introduced to allow individual patients to receive blacklisted drugs if they have a clinical need. The move comes after a local family practitioner com-

mittee refused to discipline a doctor for breaking the rules and prescribing a blacklisted drug for Mrs Chandler. It is now joining her GP, Dr Paul Millard, in pressing min-

isters to introduce an appeal

system for individual patients. Dr Millard, a family doctor in Newbury, Berkshire, said yesterday that Mrs Chandler, who has been an epileptic since the age of six, suffered from epilepsy and a benign brain tumour which made control of her epilepsy more complex.

The one drug which appeared to help her, after she was seen by specialists in neurology at Oxford, was Anxon, which went on to the blacklist of drugs when it was iatroduced last April

'It is basically tranquilliser and is not usually used to treat epilepsy," Dr Millard said yesterday. "But

in her case it clearly works. "When the limited list came in we tried alternative permitted drugs and her epilepsy returned with a vengance. She could hardly go out to put the milk bottles on the doorstep in case she had a fit, much less go to work."

The West Berkshire Family Practitioner Committee has writteo to Mr Fowler calling for an individual appeal system to be introduced.

Mrs Chandler, who works as a buyer's assistant in decorating materials, is being kept stable because Beecham, the drug's manufacturer, is sup-plying Dr Millard with free samples:

Dr Millard said: "Mrs Chandler clearly has a clinical: need for this drug and it is ludicrous that she cannot get it on the NHS, but has either to pay for it or rely on free hand-

outs from a drug company."
Buying the drug would cost about £150 a year and Mrs Chandler could, if she had to, afford that But for patients who could not, he said, the rules meant "you can only have the treatment that is best

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of the committee, confirmed

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Operating mainly at night, gangs fit radio hleeps to

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for you if you pay for it". Mrs Chandler said yesterday the issue was one of principle rather than money. This case is not just about me but about other patients in



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Members of the threatened Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra outside the town hall yesterday where they handed over a 100,000-signature petition of support. Later they paraded around the city in an open-top bus playing popular favourites

The orchestra wants continued finan-

cial backing after Merseyside County Council is scrapped at the end of this month. Liverpool City Council is the largest of the five authorities which will then assume responsibility.

Mr Ian Wright, a representative of the orchestra, said: "The city council have always said they want to support

us, but rate capping has made it difficult for them. As they have not yet set a rate for the coming year we do not know where we are."
The Arts Council will supply half the money needed, but the 80-piece orchestra will still have to rely on lead anthodisis.

Protect bankers who notify police about drug money'

By Richard Evans, Lobby Reporter

Britain's bankers should be fully with the authorities, given the protection of the law provided the law protects to tell the police about clients them from any legal action for who they suspect are connected with trafficking in drugs such as heroin and cocaine, a disclosure of information which they believe to relate to drug money.
"We recommend, therefore, parliamentary report will recommend next week.

that the present law on the disclosure of confidential in-The Commons home affairs select committee has just com-pleted a 12-month inquiry formation by banks should be into the misuse of hard drugs and is concerned about the The Drug Trafficking Offences Bill protects bankers apparent case that drug barons

All 30 members of the West mingham. "The committee

Midlands Police Committee have always acted in accor-

are to be brought before the dance with legal advice and High Court on Friday and run have and would do nothing

the risk of being sent to prison other than abide by the law of

They are being put before The federation claims that a

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tion, which claims they have allowances to a scale worked

defied court orders to negoti-ate rises in rent allowances to vate households, but the West

officers living in police Midlands committee has ar-

yesterday that the committee sitting in Birmingham, or-

members have had writs seek- dered the committee to nego-

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Mr Edwin Shore, chairman house rents.

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Last month the High Court,

and some baiters take pride in

boasting of the scars their

Mr Gee appealed for ram-

hlers to report any suspicious

activity they may come across

They should note cars parked

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crossing open fields carrying powerful lamps and spades, be

difficult as possible for badger-

horrendously cruel activity and we need all the help we

"We want to make it as

animals have received.

when responding to police use British and international inquiries. banks to circulate and disguise But the MPs want the the true origin of drug money, Government to go a step which is known as "laundering". Their concern further and give statutory protection to bankers who is shared by bankers, the MPs volunteer information to police about clients' finances, We are satisfied that the "when these seem to be conbanks are ready to co-operate nected with drug trafficking".

The select committee gave a warning in a much-publicized interim report last May that Britain faced the most serious peacetime threat to its national well-being from hard drugs.

In their final report, to be published on Wednesday next week, the MPs conclude: "Drug dealers still make princely profits and threatenus all, includiog our children, with a nightmare of drug addiction which has now become a reality for America."

The MPs call on the Governmeot to make sure that it is giving the highest priority to providing customs with the necessary manpower and equipment in its fight against drug trafficking,

Police committee Waite a bad sued for contempt listener By Peter-Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

By A Staff Reporter

Mr Terry Waite, the Archbishop of Canterbury's envoy. has confessed that he is a short-tempered, had listener. The man whose powers of persuasion have secured the

release of bostages in several of the world's troubled areas said: "I'm extremely impatient. I have to discipline myself. When I've had to wait for days for the next step in negotiations and there's no one to consult I know I could easily blow it by being stupid. But I know deep down I can't

Although Mr Waite, aged 46, the first layman to hold the job of Secretary for Anglican Communion Affairs, is one of the Church of England's most popular assets, he is not afraid to criticize it.

In an interview in the magazine, Woman, published to-day, be says: "I think we have devastated much of church life in recent years and that sadat suspicious times, or at dens me. "Too often the church

comes across as a censorious, moralistic body, forever telling others what to do, and people have become afraid of the church because of it. You end np asking. 'Is the church really touching the depth of the spiritual question?' It's part of its responsibility to assist people in finding some baiters to carry out their so-called sport. It is a deeper meaning. Yet that side of things is dealt with these days by psychotherapists. It's not their job; it's the priests who should be curing soul

Everybody needs a sense of humour and even he and Colonel Gadaffi were able to laugh and joke together during the most tortuous of negotia-

Mr Waite, who maintains that there is good in everyone, says that when talking to murderous terrorists: "You do what you can. They recognize that my mission is fundamentally based on humanitarian grounds and you hope that will respond accordingly."

Private Eye to pay MP libel damages

Sir Frederic Bennett, Conservative MP for Torbay, won substantial libel damages in the High Court yesterday after "highly offensive" allegations were published in the satirical magazine, Private Eye. Mr Michael Tugendhat,

counsel for Sir Frederic, aged 67, a Privy Council member, said his client had been accused of defending genocide in Bengal, introducing gambling to the Cayman Islands in association with the mafia and making dishonest expenses claims from the Commonwealth Parliamentary Associa-tion, among other allegations.

Mr Justice Turner was told

A 19-hour cell siege at

Strangeways prison, Manchester, ended peacefully yesterday morning. A hostage held

prisoner overnight by 10 in

mates was released unhurt.

Three men left the cell volun-

tarily at g.15 a.m. followed by

the other seven an hour later

No demands were made, the

Home Office said, but prison-

ers at Strangeways have com-plained in the past about

£8m mortgage

Thames Valley police are

investigating allegations of a

mortgage racket on at least one building society using

oon-existent properties to ex-tract funds. Figures of up to £8

million have been mentioned.

Police said five people

including a solicitor, an estate

agent and businessmen, have

been interviewed and released

on police bail to return in May

Turkey threat

A director of a security firm

was remanded on bail for five

weeks by Norwich magistrates

yesterday accused of plotting

to contaminate supermarket

poultry with mercury unless

Mr Peter Steven O'Connor, aged 27, of Kensworth, Dunstable, in Bedfordshire, is

charged with demanding the

money with menaces from Mr

Bernard Matthews, the turkey

producer, who is based in

Great Witchingham, Norfolk.

Arnold Johnson, aged 38, of

Cherry Avenue, Yapton, West

Sussex, former assistant gov-

ernor of Ford prison, appeared

before Arundel magistrates

yesterday on three charges of

theft. The case was adjourned

uotil April 2 and Mr Johnsoo

was granted bail.

Theft charges

£250,000 was paid.

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The KBL parliamentary Mr Richard Rampton, counsel for the magazine editor, Mr Richard Ingrams, and the publishers, Pressdram Ltd. said they now acknowledged there was no truth in the deeply offensive allegations, and publicly apologized to Sir

the magazine agreed to pay undisclosed damages and all He said, however, that the Cell siege at

The post-Marcos Philippines

Aquino may side-step Parliament in fight for a new constitution

Manila

A new constitution for the Philippines involving a single-Mr Salvador Laurel, is accept-

The plan was sent to President Corazon Aquioo by Mr Laurel in his capacity as leader of Unido (United National Democratic Organization), the party under whose banner she fought the election, to try to solve the complex constitutional and legal entanglements tacing her Government

At present the Government is by no means clear whether it is acung as a legal and properly constituted administration or as a revolutionary body empowered to act simply hy virtue of the absence of any other government and the

support of the people.
Yesterday Mr Laurel insisted that the Government was in existence both de facto and de jure since it was plainly in charge, and had been recog-nized as such by other governments.

But he also said that the Government rejected the 1973 constitution brought in by former President Marcos.

"That constitution was invalid from the very outset in 1973," he said yesterday. "It was not validly approved by the Philippine people. The Supreme Court said by six votes to four that it was not properly ratified."

Not surprisingly, that view is not held by members of the Philippines Parliameot be-longing to Mr Marcos's KBL (New Society Movement) par-

caucus met yesterday and offered its assistance to the new President. "We shall not oppose her," the leader of the parliamentary party, Mr Jose Rono, said, and if Mrs Aquino seeks constitutional approval from the Batasang (Parliament) we shall give her

KBL would act as a democratic opposition and would keep up their surveillance of her Government, "That is the best Move for assets

Manila (AFP) - President Aquino has taken the first term president is to be put to the people in a referendum within 90 days if a plan drawn up by the new Vice-President. Legal steps to recover govern-ment assets from Mr Marcos in the Philippines and abroad by asking US federal and state courts to issue an injunction on a plane-load brought with him to Hawaii.

> service we can give the President," he said. "It is vital, if we are to call this democracy a real democracy, that we must maintain the two-party system." Mr Rono went on to point

> out that the Batasang was empowered to act as a consti-tutional assembly, and would be able to draw up and

approve a new constitution. But Mr Laurel plainly in-tends to side-step the Assembly, since it is still dominated by the KBL and its supporters. The new constitution, which he suggests should be drawn up by a small panel of experts, will be put directly to the

people.
The Vice-President also suggested yesterday that immediately after the constitution is approved there should



A young street vendor of pro-

and provincial governors. That would also get round the fracas building around Mr Aquilino Pimeotel, Minister for Local Government, who asked for the resignation of the mayors and is replacing them with Unido supporters.

In an indication that Pbilippine politics are returning to normal, with politicians on the same side stabbing each other in public, Mr Laurel accused Mr Pimentel of acting illegally "in some instances." He said that the matter had been discussed with the President, but he was not at liberty to disclose what was said.

A threat to the new Government which at one time was thought to be serious now appears to be diminishing.

The idea of a military conspiracy to hold out against the new regime seems to be vanishing with several hard-line Marcos loyalists reporting in recent days to the Defence Minister, Mr Juan Ponce Enrile, and to the Chief of Staff, General Fidel Ramos.

Other indications of grow-ing confidence in the stability of the regime come from the increasing numbers of former political leaders returning to the country from exile.

Chief among them has been a former Foreign Minister, Mr Raul Manglapus, Another was Mr Heherson Alvarez, aged 81, a senior figure in the last constitutional convention who went into exile when many members were arrested by Mr Marcos in 1973. Mr Justiniano Martano and Mr Paul Daza, a former congressman, have also returned.

 Reagan visit possible: Mr Laurel said yesterday that President Reagan might visit Manila on bis way to Indonesia for a South-East Asian foreign ministers' meeting (Reuter reports).

• 15 killed: Fourteen policemen and a paramilitary ser-geant were killed near Legaspi. in the central province of Albay yesterday, in the first hig clash with Communist guerrillas since the fall of Mr Marcos (Reuter reports).

Warsaw mood on trial with five nationalists

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

The leaders of a group of ultra-nationalist Polish dissidents who have publicly called for a break with the Soviet Union were put on trial yesterday, charged with anti-state that despite recent Polish activity and preparing to over-court verdicts, the authorities throw the communist system with force.

The trial is the latest in a series of cases against dissi-dents that has been regarded as something of a barometer of

the political climate in Poland. Slander charges against Mr Lech Walesa, the Solidarity chairman, were dropped fast month and two Solidarity nrganizers and advisers, Mr Adam Michnik and Mr Bogdan Lis, had their sen-

tences cot hy six months. But the trial of the five leaders of the Confederation of Independent Poland (KPN) is expected to have a different outcome. Preparations to overthrow the state system with force carries a possible jail term of between one and 10 years. Led hy the veteran dissident Leszek Moczulski, KPN has been questioning Poland's role in the Soviet alliance, and its various writings consistently depict Mos-

The banned movement did not command a large following on the scale of Solidarity, and is often at odds with the leadership of the nutlawed

cow as an enemy.

KPN leaders - apart from Mr Moczulski, they are Krzystof Krol, Adam Slomka, Andrzej Szamanski and Darinsz Wojcik - wanld show Moscow will crack down hard on overt anti-Sovietism. All but Mr Wnjcik refused to testify yesterday and the proceedings were dominated by the reading

of the indictment. The trial coincides with the Communist Party congress in the Soviet Union, and the original charges against the group were drawn np only days after the accession of Mr Mikhail Gorbachuv to the Soviet leadership.

Security measures were tight ontside the Warsaw courtroom yesterday - 2 police search turned up a kitchen knife, presumably meant to cut sandwiches during the lengthy proceedings, in the handbag of a woman relative - and the press was barred.

Despite KPN's differences with Solidarity, the accused are represented by top human rights lawyers reflecting to some degree the respect for Mr Moczulski's past record... After benefiting from an

amnesty for political prisoners in July 1984, he irritated the nuthurities by speaking in churches and in private discussion groups, outlining his pro-Tough treatment of the five Poland.

Clamp on critics by Athens

From Mario Modiano

A leading member of Greece's ruling Pasok party was expelled and a Communist newspaper was heavily fined as the Government moved to curb criticism and discourage the flouting of its economic austerity drive. Mr Gerasimos Arsenis, who

as National Economy Minister until July had been dubbed the Economic Tsar of Greece, was ousted from the party on Sunday night for publicly criticizing drastic changes in government economic policy. At next weekend's meeting of the party general committee it was expected that he would rally support from the left wing to oppose the economic about-turn.

Meanwhile, the Athens daily Rizospastis, organ of the pro-Soviet Communist party, was fined £75.000 for defying a government decree curbing wage rises until the end of next Rizospastis was published

lasi Thursday when other Athens dailies were hit by a iournalists' strike in protest against the wage freeze.

The paper is sharply critical of the Socialist government's monetarist options for the debt-ridden economy. The fine was denounced by the Athens Union of Journalists.

Astronauts reply to critics

From Mohsin Ali Washington Nasa, which for decades has

evidently run the US space programme with flawless efficiency, has emerged from presidential hearings on the explosion of the Challenger shuttle with its image badly dented.

After a month of official silence, four members of Nasa's astronaut corps held a press conference yesterday at the Johnson Space Centre in Houston, to discuss the Challenger disaster and to answer Mr William Rogers: critical the allegation by Mr William Rogers. the investigating commission's chairman, that the Nasa launch decisionmaking process is flawed.

Mr Rogers, a former Secretary of State, made the statement after three days of public hearings last week, adding that the decision-making process must be improved.

Shortcomings in the system were brought to light by disclosures that engineers at

of decision-makers.

which the crew of seven were

mally cold weather on the day while is searching for a fullon the shuttle's solid rocket considered a possible cause of which built the Challenger were apparently never relayed the agency from 1971 to 1977.

above middle-level management at Nasa: senior officials testified that they were never told about them. As a result, the ill-fated

launch went ahead and the spacecraft exploded about 75 seconds after take-off, destroying the shuttle.

Mr Rogers told Nasa officials that they had forgotten to use "good judgement".

The four astronauts at the press conference were Charles Fullerton, a veteran of two shuttle voyages, Vance Brand, Joe Engle and Hank Hartsfield. All but Mr Fullerton are due to go on space missions this year and are among the the launch on January 28 in investigative team of 24 astronauts led by a shuttle pilot, Robert Crippen.

posed a safety risk, and were time Nasa administrator to particularly worried that the replace Mr James Beggs, who freeze might make ring seals resigned last week to devote his full time to fighting an boosters become inflexible indictment on charges not and let gases escape, which is related to his Nasa activities. A front runner appears to be Morton Thiokol, the company the explosion. Their concerns Mr James Fletcher, head of

Japanese video war may affect British market

By Bill Johnstone Technology Correspondent

go to jail for a year.

A video war is about to break out between two big Japanese consumer electronics groups, Suny and

Matsushita. It could balt the development of a standard for video tape recorders, and affect markets worldwide, among them the British high street, which is one of the largest video markets in the world.

Sony, inventor of the Betamax video recording sys-tem, last year launched its 8 gun video camera and re-Matsushita, whose subsid-

video recording system which dominates markets in Britain and the rest of Europe, says it intends to resist Sony's efforts. Matsushita, maker of the

Panasonic, National and Technics brands, has a large stake in the half-inch format. It says it will respond with aggressive marketing aimed at ensuring Sony's new products

have only minority appeal. The impact of the battle between the two Japanese companies will be widespread. embracing British companies which manufacture Japanese products under licence.

markets.

Matsushita is expected to market its own version of the 8 mm later this year, but only as a lightweight camera-recorder, primarily designed for outdoor filming rather than

It will embarrass the Japa- • A new wave of video piracy nese government which has is on its way to Britain from squad said.

Copyright Theft said yester-Successful box office films such as Rambo, Rocky IV

Back to the Future and The

Jewel of the Nile were being pirated in Beirut, Bahrain, Bangkuk, Singapore and America. Mr Peter Duffy, the federation's director general. said: "Without worldwide copright legislation, there is

Much greater international co-operation was necessary to combat the video pirates. Mr Duffy, a former head of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist

little we can do."



rocket Challeoger, opposed

killed soon after take-off. They feared that the abnor-

The White House mean-

public interest".

a similar position". RSPCA appeal on badger baiting

The Royal Society for the morgan, said that early March Prevention of Cruelty to Ani- was the peak period for badger mals has called for ramblers in baiting, which resulted in the Wales to belp track down savage and often slow death of badger baiters who are using the animal. increasingly advanced meth-

ods to search for sets. More than 30 men were where to dig when a badger is convicted in the principality confronted in his set. eight other suspects are facing often leaves the dogs badly charges. Posters in shop windows and talks are being sport is illegal many die from organized to make the public their injuries as owners will aware of the increasing scale of

the illegal sport. Well trained dogs often and we need all the help Mr Roy Gee, RSPCA dischange hands for high prices, can get," Mr Gee added. the illegal sport.

Police to keep 'observation

posts' secret People who allow the police to use their homes or businesses to monitor criminal activity are entitled to anonymity in the courts, the Court of Apocal ruled yesterday.

Mr Justice Mann, sitting in London with Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, and Sir Roger Ormrod, said such citizens were in the same class as police informers and were entitled not to have their identities disclosed. Mr Justice Mann said there

was an obvious fear of reprisal

if those who assisted the police

by providing "observation posts" had their identities disclosed in court. The judges dismissed an appeal by Elliston Rankine. aged 41, unemployed, of Roxbourne Road. South Ockendon, Essex, against arr 18-month jail term imposed at the Inner London Crown Court on July 10 last year for supplying cannabis. The court was told that the

police used an image intensifier 10 watch Rankine's activities in Railton Road, Brixton. During the mial, counsel for the defence had wanted to question police officers on the cuact location of their observarion post. However, the trial judge ruled that the police | corder as the first step towards need not disclose it, in the making it a world standard.

Mother forfeits bail in £3m cannabis case

home because her boy friend Britain she had not believed absconded while on bail, a him. Brooks had stood surety Court was told yesterday.

Stella Brooks, aged 30, a Tveer, a freelance shipping divorcee, will have to sell her agent, would face trial on cottage in Godstone, Surrey, charges of conspiring with to pay a £25,000 forfeit, others to smuggle cannabis Chelmsford Crown Court was resin worth £3 million. told. She was given four

Brooks said that although

A mother of two children T'veer, aged 30, a Dutch has been forced to sell her citizen, had spoken of leaving

He had agreed to continue months to raise the money or living with her in Surrey, but failed to appear at Chelmsford Crown Court oo Monday last her boy friend, Johannes Van week

> iary, JVC, devised the VHS never been happy about the the US. Middle East and Far video recording system which country's manufacturers fight. East, the Federation against ing each other in foreign

Matsushita claims that Sony has confused consumers by marketing 8 mm machines as the next generation of video tape recorders for use at home as well as outdoors, rather than as a specialty product with limited sales potential.

home recording.

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Meanwhile, a spokesman

for the murder investigation team said yesterday that the

lead-tipped, copper-cased bul-

lets used in the assassination

could penetrate a bullet-proof

vest. It was also disclosed that

on the night of the assassina-

tion a diplomat at the Swedish

Embassy in Bonn received a

telephone call claiming that

the killing was the work of the

West German terrorist group,

• COPENHAGEN: The

murder of Mr Palme cast a

shadow over the opening here yesterday of the 34th session of the Nordic Council, the

consultative parliament of the five Nordic countries (Chris-

The five-day meeting tak-ing place in the Danish Parlia-

ment building and attended by 87 politicians and parlia-

mentarians, observed a one-

minute silence after a 50-

minnte memorial ceremony

during which Mr Poul Schluter, Denmark's Conser-

vative Prime Minister, paid

tribute to the late Swedish

All festivities connected

with the session, including the

traditional Nordic state ban-

topher Follett writes).

Red Army Faction.

Sweden after Palme

New leader pledges no change in policy

unknown killer.

The Swedish Foreign Ministry said that Mr Carlsson was expected to visit Moscow next Mr Palme's funeral March 15 will be a pr month or in May. Mr Palme had intended this visit to be part of a process of mormalization of relations, which have been strained in recent years mainly because of alleged violations of Swedish

waters by Soviet submarines. Mr Carlsson is also likely to have talks with Mr Gorb-achov, the Soviet leader, on the possibility that Sweden may be proposed to monitor

any nuclear test ban treaty agreed with President Reagan. The new leader, who at 52 is seven years younger than Mr Palme, looked pale, tired and sad as he met the world's press for the first time since the

He was elected unanimously yesterday as chairman of the ruling Social Democratic Party until its congress next year. Effectively he is now Sweden's new Prime Minister. Next Tuesday he will be proposed formally to Parlia-Palme. On the following day he will be sworn in.

No opposition to Mr Carlsson's election is expected either from the Social Democrats or from any of the non-socialist Opposition parties. His main rival for the leader-ship, Mr Kjell-Olof Feldt, the ebullient Finance Minister, has evidently decided that it would be inopportune to make any bid for power. Mr Carlsson said he had co-

operated closely with Mr Palme over almost three decades. "I shall strive to follow the principles he has laid down", he said.

Referring to the murder, he id: "Sweden should be a land with political democracy. with a great degree of openness. Everyone must fight to preserve the open and free Sweden we have built

Sweden's new leader, Mr views on security. He hoped bloodstained snow with a logvar Carlsson, pledged yes he would in future be able to small mountain of flowers. terday to continue the policies walk unguarded through the of his assassinated predeces-sor, Mr Olof Palme, sor, Mr Olof Palme, to He intended to be as active keep his private life free from on the international scene as supervision, but as long as Mr Mr Palme, who was shot dead Palme's murder remained nnin Stockholm on Friday by an solved there would have to be strict security and he was

> Mr Palme's funeral on March 15 will be a private affair, attended only by fam-ily, close friends and members of the Social Democratic elite. However, a memorial service will be held later as Stockholm Town Hall, which is expected to be attended by

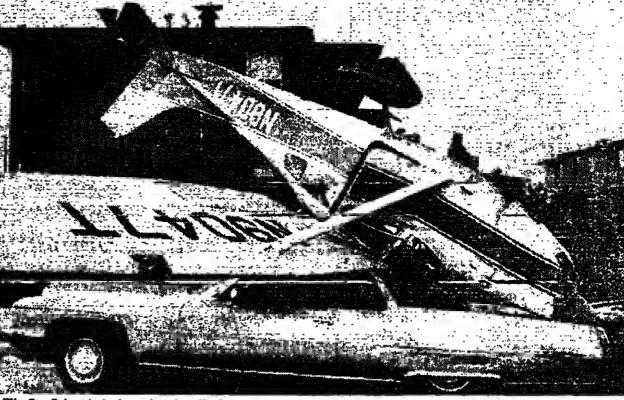
many world leaders. made for outsiders to follow the funeral service itself on large television screens set up at various places throughout the country.

A memorial fund for Mr Palme will be set up in Sweden, the Social Democratic Party announced yesterday. It will promote studies by young people on international understanding and peace.

The spot where Mr Palme fell dying on the icy pavement of Sveavagen, Stockholm's main thoroughfare, continued to act as an unofficial shrine yesterdeay for thousands of



Mr Ingvar Carlsson, the new Swedish leader, receiving the He shared Mr Palme's attentions of press photographers in Stockholm yesterday.



Flip-flop flying: A single-engine plane lies belly-up on top of a Cadillac after crash-landing in a residential area of Oakland. California. Three other cars were damaged but the pilot escaped with slight injuries.

Ex-envoy held on gun charge

From Mario Modiano Athens

A retired British diplomatic employee whose Athens flat was searched in connection with a Soviet espionage case now under investigation in London and Athens, was remanded in custody yesterday on a charge of illegal posses-sion of five pistols and 148 rounds of ammunition.

Mr Edgerton "Eddie" Duckworth, aged 63, who worked in the British Embassy's commercial department until 1979, told the investigating magistrate that he was a collector of firearms, and target practice was his

He said he had failed to declare his collection after losing his diplomatic status on

Mr Thanasis Liakopoulos. the lawyer representing Mr Duckworth, detained since Friday, said the prosecutor's decision to detain him on "suspicion that he might flee the country", was most unusu-

He would appeal against it considering that the trial was likely to be delayed for several months.

Police escape ANC ambush by killing 7 in shootout

hlack men who they said were terrorists" of the outlawed African National Congress (ANC) in a gun battle in Guguletu, a hlack township on the outskirts of Cape Town. One policeman was slightly

The police said they had received a tip-off that the ANC talks: The ANC has ANC planned to attack a held talks with one of South vehicle carrying policemen to work at the Guguletu police station and "certain precautionary measures were taken". In effect, the police appear to have laid an ambush for the would-be ambushers.

"At 0720 hours, near the Guguletu police station, after the police had stopped a vehicle with black occupants, a skirmish between the police and ANC terrorists ensued, during which a hand grenade was hurled at the police and they were fired on," the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, said.

"Io the clash seven ANC terrorists were killed and one policeman was slightly wounded. The police seized several AK47 rifles, a number of rounds of ammunition and

The South African police several pistols and hand yesterday shot dead seven grenades."

It is understood that the police had been hidden near the scene of the expected ambush for several hours. The van taking the policemen to work passed by and a few minutes later another van drew up and seven armed men

Africa's tribal homeland leaders in a new move aimed at broadening its range of potential allies within the republic and putting pressure on Pre-toria to lift the ban on it.

Meanwhile, six of the seven members of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group" (EPG) arrived in Cape Town on Sunday on the second leg of a visit to monitor the pace of reform and assess the chances of negotiation between the Government and black leaders oo sharing political power,

The Chief Minister of Kangwane, Mr Enos Mabuza, accompanied by about 20 members of his homeland's legislative assembly, arrived in Lusaka, the capital of Zambia. on Friday for

"consultative" talks with Mr Oliver Tambo, the ANC president and other ANC leaders. The talks were reported to be

continuing yesterday.

Mr Mahuza, whose small homeland is contiguous to the northern and western frontiers of Swaziland and is the territory reserved for South Africa's 800,000 Swazis, is due to fly back to South Africa today.

The homeland leaders have been regarded with contempt hy the ANC as "puppers" of Pretoria. The only exception is Chief Gaisha Buthelezi, the Zulu leader, whom Mr Tambo met in London in 1979. Since then, however, Chief Buthelezi's relations with the ANC have deteriorated drasti-

In recent months, the ANC has met white husinesssmen, opposition MPS, churchmen and student leaders. At one point the Government became alarmed - in the words of the Deputy Foreign Minister. Mr Ron Miller - at the oumber of people "beating a path to the ANC's door", and refused permission for some would-be visitors to Lusaka.

Slahbert questioned, page

Charred corpse in Cairo hotel

Danish diplomats searching a hotel in the Giza area of Cairo have uncovered the remains of a charred body they believe to be that of a Danish tourist, Miss Anne

Pedersen, who was in her 70s. Mr Claus Von Barnekow, counsellor at the Danish Embassy in Cairo, said that Miss Pedersen had been reported missing on Wednesday last week, the day after security police conscripts went on the tampage in Giza streets and set fire to a number of hotels. including the Holiday Pyramids Hotel, where she and her

group had been staying.
Mr Von Barnekow said that at the time they reported Miss Pederson missing they were assured by Egyptian authorities that all the rooms of damaged hotels had been searched and that no bodies had been found.

The two diplomats conducted their own search on Sunday and found an unidentifiable charred body in the bathroom of the room Miss Pedersen

was tisted as occupying.

They are waiting for her dental charts from Denmark to make a positive identifica-tion, but if the body does prove to be that of Miss Pedersen she will be the first known foreign victim of the

more than 2,500 security troops and 700 civilians have been arrested since an estimated 8.000-10.000 members of the security forces took to the streets on Tuesday night last week because of a false rumour that their tours of duty would be extended.

The conscripts earn about £2.50 a month and live under generally appalling conditions.

Meanwhile, a leading Cairo newspaper. al-Ahram, said yesterday that a woman had given riot investigators a vidco tape showing the rioting which had led to the arrest of seven people, including a law-

Egypt's Minister of the Interior, Mr Zaki Badr, was quoted yesterday in the official ruling party organ Mayo as saying that the Government would not disband the security forces.

Tourism threat to reef

Sydney (Renter) - Australian conservationists launched a national campaign yesterday to stop a £160 million tourist development which, they claimed, could threaten the Great Barrier Reef.

At least five conservation groups condemned moves by the right-wing Queensland state government to withdraw national park status from a small island near the reef One of Australia's domestic

airlines, East-West, is seeking freehold title from the state government over most of Lindeman island, for a tourist A large population on the

island with resulting effluent and waste could destroy a section of the reef, the world's largest marine park, according to a spokesman for the Queensland Wildlife Preservation Society. But conservationists were

also worried by the precedent

created in selling off the national parkland in a World Heritage Commission area to a tourist developer, the society's vice-president, Mr John Sinclair, said in an interview.

East-West have declined comment on their plans.

Iran and Iraq claim successes near Fao

es yesterday in overnight Shatt al-Arab waterway three front lines.

weeks ago.

A Baghdad communique said that two divisions of Iranian Revolutionary Guards were annihilated

Bahrain (Reuter) -- Iran and war volunteers might com-lraq both claimed big success- prise as few as 1,500 men.) Tran said it inflicted 500 fighting in the Fao peninsula Iraqi casualties in what apof soinhern Iraq, occupied by peared to be the same fighting Iranian troops early in the and said its air force bombed 'Dawn 8" offensive across the strategic areas behind the Iraqi

Iran also reported another advance on the northern Kurdistan front.

A war communique on when they attacked the central Tehran Radio said that Iranicolumn of a three-pronged an troops were now only 11 iraqi advance on Iranians miles from the Kurdistan holding the small port of Fao. provincial capital, Sulay-(An Iranian regular army divi-maniyah, some 170 miles sion is normally 10,000 men, north-east of Baghdad. Iraq but military Tehran sources made no mention of fighting said that reserve divisions of in Kurdistan.

The pro-Iranian Hizbollah distributed an 86-page docu-ment, with photographs of the accused, on its investigation of

sentences were carried out. Video-taped confessions would be shown on Lebanese

television.

Hizbollah said the 11 were part of a ring responsible for car bomb attacks, including

one that killed at least 75 in the Shia suburb of Bir al-Abed in March. The blasts killed 277

East Beirut.

Shias claim executions Beirut (Reuter) - A radical how, when or where the death

Shia Muslim militia said yes-terday that it had "executed" nine men and two women accused of involvement in a lethal series of car bomb hlasts in Lebanon dating back to 1978.

an alleged bomb ring it said was backed by Christian groups and Army intelligence. The document did not say

Union leader's blow to

González Nato hopes

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

membership went into a sec-verdict.

ond week vesterday, the So-

cialist Government, which

desperately wants a "yes"

vote, took a severe blow from

Senor Nicolas Redondo, the

party's leading union figure. He told all members of the

pro-Socialist General Union

of Workers (UGT), the Span-

ish equivalent of the TUC, to

vote "no" on March 12,

thereby obeying union policy.

But Señor Redondo, general secretary of the UGT, in-

structed his local leaders not

to take part with Communist

people and wounded 1.111. The document said the ringleader, Mahmud Zayyat, had taken refuge in Christian

Islamabad (AFP) - Hindus in the south-eastern city of Jacobabad were in a state of shock yesterday after the sacking of nine temples by Muslim extremists - the first such

poll, 49 per cent of Basques intend to vote "no". Only 13 per cent said that they thought Spain should remain in Nato. Poli boost: According to the latest public opinion poll, to be published in today's issue

of Epoca, a Madrid weekly, of Muslims the 68 per cent who intend to voteon March 12, 49 per cent will vote "yes" and 43 per cent

Libya's foreign chief
Tripoli, Libya (AFP) - The to 1984.Mr Mansour, who recently changed his name from Maqhour, has been Libyan parliament, the General Peoples' Congress, has named Mr Kamal Hassan Libva's representative to the UN and ambassador to Mansour, the former Oil Minister, as the country's new

foreign minister, replacing Mr Alı Treiki. Mr Treiki, aged 48, served twice as foreign minister in Colonel Gadaffi's regime and was Libya's representative to

France and China. He was oil minister from 1982 to 1984

Muslims sack nine temples in Pakistan

As the campaign leading to unionists and other left-wing-Spain's referendum on Nato ers in campaigning for a "no" His position appears to be supported in his own Basque violence against a non-Musregion where, according to a lim minority in Pakistan since 1948.

The city, in the north of Sind province, remained tense: Jacobabad is home to some 10,000 of the more than one million Hindus in Pakistan, compared to 84 million

Demonstrators were called out on Sunday by the Muslim fundamentalist Jamiat Ulema Islam, in protest at an Indian court's decision to authorize the opening of a Hindu temple on the site of a mosque in India's Uttar Pradesh state.

The Indian court's decision provoked inter-community clashes in India, which left 15 dead and aroused great emotion among Pakistanis.

On Sunday demonstrators stoned and sacked the nine temples, according to local police, who did not report any victims. They dispersed the demonstrators but were un-



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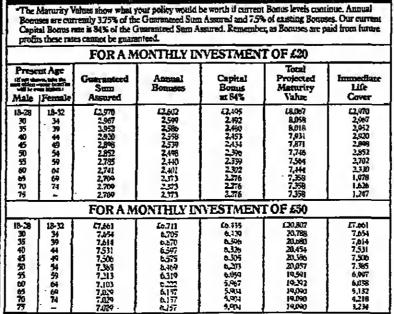
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the United Nations from 1982 Treiki's future,

and Opec chairman in 1984. No immediate explanation for the change is available, nor is any information about Mr

able to protect the temples.



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Premier flays planners and sets fresh course

The Kremlin blueprint for revitalizing the economy by to the Kremlin are agriculture, the year 2000 was combined construction and oil. where with a damning indictment of declining production is being the Soviet Union's recent economic performance in the presentation to the 27th Communist Party congress yestermunist Party congress yestersees the doubling of national

that continued the predomi-nant theme of self-criticism. Mr Ryzhkov chided numerous ministries and other top state bodies for inefficiency and irresponsibility which bad cost the country billions of

and material" punishment for those enterprises which produce sub-standard goods.

start up production of designs delays of many years in comin the Soviet Union's natural

that further heads in the administrative hierarchy are soon to roll.

Areas of particular concern construction and oil. where aggravated by the slump in

munist Party congress vester-day of Mr Nikolai Ryzbkov. sees the doubling of nanounce income and industrial output by the turn of the century, but



thatthere is still lack of any He also indicated "moral overall strategy by which this

As congress speakers before Among examples highlight- devoted considerable attening past mistakes were fac-tories which were instructed to the late President Brezhnev. He referred to "unfavourable already 20 years out of date, tendencies" in the economy which had first appeared in pleting important building the 1970s and grown even projects, and a massive waste stronger in the early 1980s.

Both in the centre and in the regions, many managers The singling-out by name of continued to work with outsome industries for criticism dated methods and proved left observers with no doubt unprepared for work in the

level. There was a fall in ... responsibility. The vicious practice of revising plan targets downwards became wide-

spread."
His keynote address also outlined details of the first five-year plan of the Gorbachov era which will run until 1990. In June it was announced that Mr Gorbacbov had ordered the original draft to be scrapped

because it encouraged waste.

But he also acknowledged publicly that "many industries" had failed to reach their targets in the 1981-1985 period. Mr Ryzhkov emphasized

that as regards the economy, "radical reform" rather than

partial improvements.

To the applause of the delegates. Mr Ryzhkov pledged that the Kremlin would never fulfil the bopes of the bourgeois ideologues" by straying from "fundamen-tal principles" in economic

 Praise from Benn: Mr Tony Benn was quoted yesterday in the official Soviet media as saying that all mankind had drawn hope from Moscow's arms control initiatives (Reu-



Mr Ryzhkov, the Soviet Prime Minister, delivering his keynote speech to 5,000 congress delegates yesterday.

Doubts nag US over sailor's on-off 'defection'

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

The saga of Miroslav the Soviet Embassy is Wash-Medved, the Soviet "defector" ington, said: "It's crazy to think it was not Miroslav mind, continues to raise nagging questions four months after the Reagan Administra
Those who suspect a switch the soviet Embassy is Wash-Medved, "It's crazy to think it was not Miroslav who was interviewed."

Those who suspect a switch the soviet Embassy is Wash-Medved, the Soviet Embassy is Wash-Med tion allowed him to sail home possibly even death, four months ago.

The central question whether the Russians switched the real Mr Medved Russians with an imposter before the State Department interviewed him in New Orleans.

He had jumped into the Mississippi in a defection attempt, mly to be ordered back to his cargo ship He, or somebody purporting to be him. later jumped into the river again and was inter-viewed at length. He insisted that, after all, he wanted to go

Some Congressmen are con-vinced that this man was not Mr Medved. They cite his belligerent manner, his vigor-ons defence of the Soviet system and his arrogance -traits that were apparently far frnm evident when Mr Medved first clambered

The State Department says it is certain there was not a switch. And Mr Boris Malakhov, a spokesman for

in tennis star's San Francisco (UPI) — A pistol found in the luggage of tennis star Martina Navratilova was seized at San

Gun found

Francisco international air

her plane and can file a court petition for the return of the pistol for which she has a Texas permit.

£4m oil depot

The gun was discovered on The gun was discovered on Sundayduring a routine metal-scanning check of carry-on luggage. Miss Navratilova told officials that the gun was mistakenly put in the case by a friend who helped her pack. She said the weapon was normally stored in cargo-hold haronage.

graphs taken surreptitionsly during the interview, which was not the same man. The FBI, which compared the picof the seaman who first jumped ship, said that no firm conclusions could be drawn.

conclusions could be drawn.

Mr Larry Speakes, the
White House spokesman, said
yesterday that there was nothing to contradict the belief that
the man interviewed was Mr
Medved.

Miroslav Medved: Some say

Russians did a switch.

Setback to

Kohl in

local poll

From Frank Johnson

Plenty of explanations were on offer here yesterday for the unexpectedly big Social Dem-

ocrat and Green gains, at the expense of Christian Demo-crats and Free Democrats, in

local government elections in

northern Germany on Sunday. But one question remains

Kohl's current legal difficul-ties anything to do with it? Bonn's politicians face a general election in 10 months,

and Herr Kohl is being inves-igated for having allegedly given false testimony to a committee of the Land (prov-

ince) Parliament of the Rhine-

land-Palatinate which was

investigating business contri-

this week whether to investi-

até a similar accusation mad

about Herr Kohl's testimony to a Bundestag committee. In Sunday's elections, for Il local councils in the Land of

were to the Social Democrats

(FDP). This was particularly

ominous for the national Gov-

ernment, of which the FDP is

anti-SPD majority nationally

If a combination of SPD and

Green support produced an anti-CDU majority, the SPD

could form a Government

sustained in the Bundestag by

The SDP candidate for

Chancellor, Herr Johannes

Rau, has always said that he

would never form a coalition with the Greens.

But there are various defini-

tions of "coalition". If the

SPD turned out as the biggest

single party, it would be unlikely to spurn the Greens'

parliamentary support, if it was the only way the SPD

could form a Government.

the Greens

butions to his party funds. The public prosecutors in

blaze beaten Athens — A week-long blaze in a 12-tank oil depot near Salonika was subdued early yesterday with the help of European experts and 80 Yugoslav firemen (Mario Modiano writes). Athens officials said the

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flames were confined to oil spilt from tanks gutted in one of the worst oil fires in Europe. destroying £4 million of crude

Glass in food

New York (UPI) - An investigation into the discovery of glass in a jar of Gerber baby 12pioca was ordered after a mother found her son's tongue was bleeding.

Guru auction Laguna Beach, Catifornia (UPI) — Belongings of guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, who is now in Creue, including a silver flute and luxury robe fabrics, were auctioned by followers to pay his legal bills.

Choosy thief San Francisco (UPI) - A burglar with a taste for rare wines broke into the cellar of an elegant restaurant here and stole vintage Bordeaux worth £10,000, an 1825 French painting and a five-ton safe.

Jail workers

Kigali, Rwanda (AFP) The 12,000 prisoners Rwanda jails are being told to grow food and make uniforms to put prisons in profit and save money for the state.

Hoxha elected Bonn are expected to decide

Vienna (AFP) - Mrs Nexhmije Hoxha, widow of the late Albanian party chief and head of state. Enver Hoxha, who died in April, has been elected head of the Albanian Popular Front.

Schleswig-Holstein, Herr-Kohl's Christian Democrats (CDU) lost 5.9 per cent of their 1982 vote. It was the worst CDU result in the Land for 20 years. Most of the losses Fatal flight.

Bern (AP) — A Swiss-registered Cessna private plane crashed three minutes after takeoff from Bern airport in snow, killing the pilot and seven passengers.

The Greens emerged as the Ershad snub third biggest party, replacing the liberal Free Democrats

Dhaka - The leading Bangladesh opposition parties have rejected President Ershad's offer of elections on junior member.

The Christian Democrats rely on the FDP to produce an April 26 and said they will continue to campaign against military rule. Ailing airport

over medical tests disrupted domestic and international traffic vesterday.

Not so rocky New York (Reuter) - The film star Sylvester Stellone earns as much from one film -\$12 million (£8.57 million) — as President Reagan, on an annual salary of \$200,000, would earn in 60 years, according to a People magazine report.

Reagan steps up aid efforts for Contras

President Reagan, stepping up his campaign to win \$100 million (£69 million) in aid for he said the Sandinista the Contra rebels fighting the Nicaraguan Government, re-ceived their leaders at the White House yesterday, to-gether with their supporters in the American private sector.

His symbolic meeting came as the White House was trying to persuade a sceptical Congress that the situation in Nicaragua is more dangerous for the US than was that in the Philippines before Mr Marcos fled. Mr George Shultz, Secretary of State, gave a warning that if the Contras were neglected the Western bemisphere could be "taken

in a speech to US veterans he said the Sandinista Government had been threatening elected governments in neighbouring countries with Soviet weapons

The Administration has

been exasperated by the lack of public support for its tough policies towards Nicaragua. In 1984 Congress cut. off all military aid to the Contact authorizing only \$27 million in bumanitarian assistance. The Administration has also been embarrassed by the plandits it has received from all quarters for its role in gerting rid of Mr Duvalier in Haiti and Mr Marcos.

Mayor blamed for raid

Philadelphia (Reuter) - A the raid to evict members of a commission investigating a po-lice attack on a house here last year, in which 11 people died and 61 houses were destroyed, has criticized the city's Mayor in a draft report.

The commission, appointed by the Mayor himself, Mr Wilson Goode, called him grossly negligent in launching

radical group called Move.

Police bombed the house from a helicopter, killing six adults and five children starting a fire which left 250 people homeless. The report said that "the

plan to bomb the Move house was reckless, ill-conceived and



Shaw Carpets plc mill at Darton, near Barnsley produces 400,000 square metres of carpeting every week. This means large quantities of steam are necessary for the dyeing process and for space heating.

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Paris (Reuter) - An indefinite strike by firemen at Charles De Gaulle airport

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Seoul leader heads for Europe in attempt to avoid Marcos's fate

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

the authoritariao leader of South Korea, is to pay an official visit to Britain early next month as part of a fournatioo tour of Western Europe. He will also visit West Germany. France and Bel-

It will be the first visit to Western Europe by a Korean head of state. Although there are growing economie ties between Korea and Europe, the authoritarian nature of successive Korean regimes has meant that their leaders were not welcome visitors in the West. The date of the visit has not yet been announced.

Acutely aware of the fate of Mr Marcos, his near neigh-bour from the Philippines. President Chun is trying to give his administration a more democratic and moderate image — a process encouraged actively by the United States. After weeks of growing po-litical unrest President Chun

These included the release from house arrest of the opposition leader. Mr Kim Dae Jung, and a promise to discuss changes in the constitution after the 1988 presidential electron. tial election.

His visit to Europe forms part of his plan to improve his image. He hopes that television pictures of him chatting with Mrs Thatcher, Chancel-lor Kohl of West Germany and President Mitterrand of France will persuade the Korean electorate that he enjoys the respect and confidence of Western democratic

• SEOUL: Riot police used teargas to break up a student demonstration against the South Korean Government yesterday, the fifth anniversa-

President Chun Doo Hwan, last week suddenly made a ry of President Chun's taking series of political coocessions office (AFP reports).
in the hope of avoiding a Witnesses said that about

in the hope of avoiding a similarly ignominious exit from his presidential palace. Witnesses said that about 300 students at Seoul National University clashed with riot police after a rally io support of an opposition-run signature collection campaign calling for direct presidential elections.

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The students fled when an estimated 1,000 police io plain clothes and riot police lobbed teargas canisters and moved in to arrest them, witnesses said. Similar demonstrations were held at three other campuses in the capital

Newspapers yesterday praised President Chun, an Army general-turned-politician, for his success in the economic sector, his liberalization policies and his contri-hution to South Korea's international standing.

But they say that there is still much to be done to eliminate a perceived threat of war from North Korea.

Colombia extends rebel truce

Bogota (Reuter) - The Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), the country's higgest guerrilla group, yesterday signed an indefinite extension of a 21month truce with the Govern-

President Betancur, speaking at the presidential palace, said the agreement showed peace was possible and that "discussion will always be better than confrontation".

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The extension had been widely expected after the procommunist FARC agreed to take part in parliamentary elections on Sunday as a leftwing coalition front called Patriotic Union.

The new pact was signed by members of the Government peace commission and leading FARC leaders in Uribe, a mountain zone south of Bogota where the rebels have

President Betancur initiated the peace process in 1982 with a wide-ranging amnesty, fol-lowed to 1984 by truces with the maio rebel groups.

Queen honours a little bush hero

From Stephen Taylor, Canberra

The Queen pinned Australia's highest civilian bravery award yesterday on the chest of a little Aussie battler named Alfred Collins.

"Little Alf", as he is known in his family to distinguish him from his father, who is also an Alfred, is a slim, shy, freckle-faced boy aged 11. He was in Canberra yesterday with other distinguished Australians, captains of industry and civilian servants, to be

The difference was that.
Little Alf, who was presented with the gold medal of The Royal Humane Society of Australasia, had travelled more than 1,200 miles by road, taking more than a week to get

The Collins cattle farm is in one of Australia's remotest regions, in the heart of Queensland 500 miles from a city and almost 100 miles from Rockhampton, the nearest town. Alf and his five sisters do not go to school but are taught at home

Some 18 months ago Alf. then aged just nine, was nut belping his father to load fence posts on a track. A wild boar suddenly charged out of the bush. The animal was the species known locally as n "razorback", n powerful, dan-gerous creature which sent Mr Collins sprawling and ripped into him with scything blows from its tusks.

Still limping yesterday after three bonts io hospital, Mr Collins said: "When I saw the pig coming I thought, 'Well, I can manage this OK,' hat then suddenly I was down and in big trouble. I was scrapping, but I knew I was losing. No doubt about it, my number was op. That's when I called for lîttle Alf."

The official record of the incident says that he called out: "Save me, Alf, save me." Neither father nor son can now verify the actual words, but Little Alf, who had first fled in fear, picked up a piece of wood and raced back, beating the animal until it fled.



Mr Brian Mulroney, the Canadian Prime Minister, showing off his skills at the opening ceremonies of the 1986 Brier Curling Championships at Kitchener in Ootario.

Indian budget fails to allay inflation fears

Irked by a barrage of criticism that next year's hudget is inflationary, the Indian Fi-nance Ministry asserts that the hudget will be price oeutral". But the statement has not allayed general misgivings that the country is io for another round of price rises in the wake of increases three weeks ago on petroleum products, coal, wheat, rice,

chemicals and fertilizers. The Finance Ministry has also tried to explain, without wioning much support, the rise io deficit financing, which is expected to top £350 million, ten times more than the extra woo in taxation.

Defence expenditure has risen by oearly £58 million, The hudget levies duty on such luxuries as cars, colour televisions, air conditioners and race and lottery winnings.

Keroscne stoves, footware, hlankets and some drugs will become cheaper because of the withdrawal of excise duties. Funds have have also been allocated to house-huilding, social security schemes for workers and subsidized loans for the urban poor.

The budget tries to rationalize the tax structure, introducing a modified VAT system (Modvat), and excise concessions for industrial units.

Turmoil in Quebec

Liberals weigh up departure of a vote-getter

speaking Canada and his na-

tive, French-speaking Quebec.

in the June, 1984, Liberal

leadership race. He never

appeared to become recon-

Relations between him and

Mr Turner reached breaking

point last month over control

of the federal party's Quebec wing. Quebec with its 75 seats

started to return to the party of

their traditional allegiance,

which they deserted in droves

in the September 1984 elec-

Mr Chrétien, never a man

He alleged that a "malaise"

had taken root io the party's Quebec wing, and suggested that Turner supporters were

trying to get rid of party

veterans loyal to him.

After that, with the issue triggering noisy recriminations between pro-Turner and

pro-Chretien factions, it was

probably just a matter of time

before the two men came to a

formal parting of the ways.

For the moment, Mr Turner

has cause for relief since Mr

Chrétien's departure resolves

a situation that was causing

him acute embarrassment and

ciled to his defeat.

The Liberal Party of Canada wheeling and plebeian ways is anxiously trying to sort out endeared him both to Englishthe implications of last week's sudden departure of Mr Jean Chretien, a loog-time party stalwart and one of the finished second to Mr Turner country's most popular politicians.

The question the party faces is whether by resigning his House of Commons seat to take up a career in business. Mr Chrétien, a valuable votegenter, has handed the next federal election to the ruling Cooservatives on a platter.

at Ottawa - more than a quarter of the 282 total - is Mr Chrétien stepped aside considered vital to a restora-tion of Liberal power. Accordon Thursday, as the culmination of an increasingly bitter ing to opinion polls, voters in the province have already feud with Mr John Turner, the party leader and former Prime Minister. He said he wanted to devote more time to his family, and to pursue opportunities with an Ottawa law firm and a Montreal investment husiness.

to mince words, erupted in anger when Mr Turner hlocked his choice for president of the federal party organization in Quebec and got his own candidate elected But few political observers doubted that the real reason was that he found himself in an increasingly untenable position in the House Rumblings over the Chre-

tien affair occurred in a conference of the party's Quebec wing in Quebec City at the weekend.

Some delegates criticized Mr Turner's handling of the affair and one delegate, Mrs Celine Hervieux-Payette, a former federal Cahinet minis-ter, claimed that Mr Chrétieo had been forced out rather than having left of his own accord.

Mr Turner's position should be clarified when the Liberals hold an automatic leadership review in Novem-

Mr Chretien, aged 52, an raising questions about his hold on the leadership.

earthy politician whose free-

PRISONERS ! OF CONSCIENCE

Soviet Union: Mikhail Kukobaka

By Caroline Moorehead

A former lorry driver in his late forties called Mikhail Kukobaka is serving his third consecutive sentence as a political prisoner in the Soviet Union.

The exact term is not known, but it may be as long as 12 years' imprisonment and exile, the maximum for the charge of "anti-Soviet agita-tion and propaganda" on which he is being held. He is in a strict regime labour camp in

the Perm region. Mr Kuknbaka first clashed with the authorities in 1970 after he criticized the Soviet intervention in Czechoslovakia. Charged with circulating anti-Soviet propaganda, he spent six years in psychiatric hospitals.

After his release he was rearrested and held for brief periods for having on his wall the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and a photograph of Dr Andrei Sakharov. Canght sending essays abroad, he spent three years in a criminal labour camp at Novopolotsk in Belorussiya.

He has not been free since. In 1981 he faced new charges of circulating anti-Soviet slander, and was jailed for three years. It was during this term, in October 1984, that he was given his current sentence.

• The new attitude to dissidents may be tested when Professor Ynli Kagarlitsky, a Soviet expert on English liter-ature, learns whether he is to be allowed to attend an H G Wells symposium io London in July.

His son, Boris, was arrested with a Young Socialist discussion group, and though he was later released. Dr Kagarlitsky has been dismissed from his



Asian tour by Hayden

Jakarta (Reuter) - Mr Bill Hayden, the Australian Foreign Minister, had wide-ranging discussions here yesterday with his Indonesian opposite number, Dr Mochtar Kusumaatmadja, including devel-opments in the Philippines and Cambodia.

Mr Hayden, starting an Asiao tour which will also take him to Singapore, Kuala Lumpur. Hoog Kong and Manila, said that they had reviewed the situation in Manila and the challenges faced by President Aquino.

The two foreign ministers also discussed Dr Mochtar's talks this month io Hanoi on Cambodia oo behalf of the Associatioo of South East Asian Nations (Asean).

Mr Haydeo said that Australia applauded Jakarta's ini- Mikhail Kukobaka: 16 years tiative for settling the conflict. of clashes with authority

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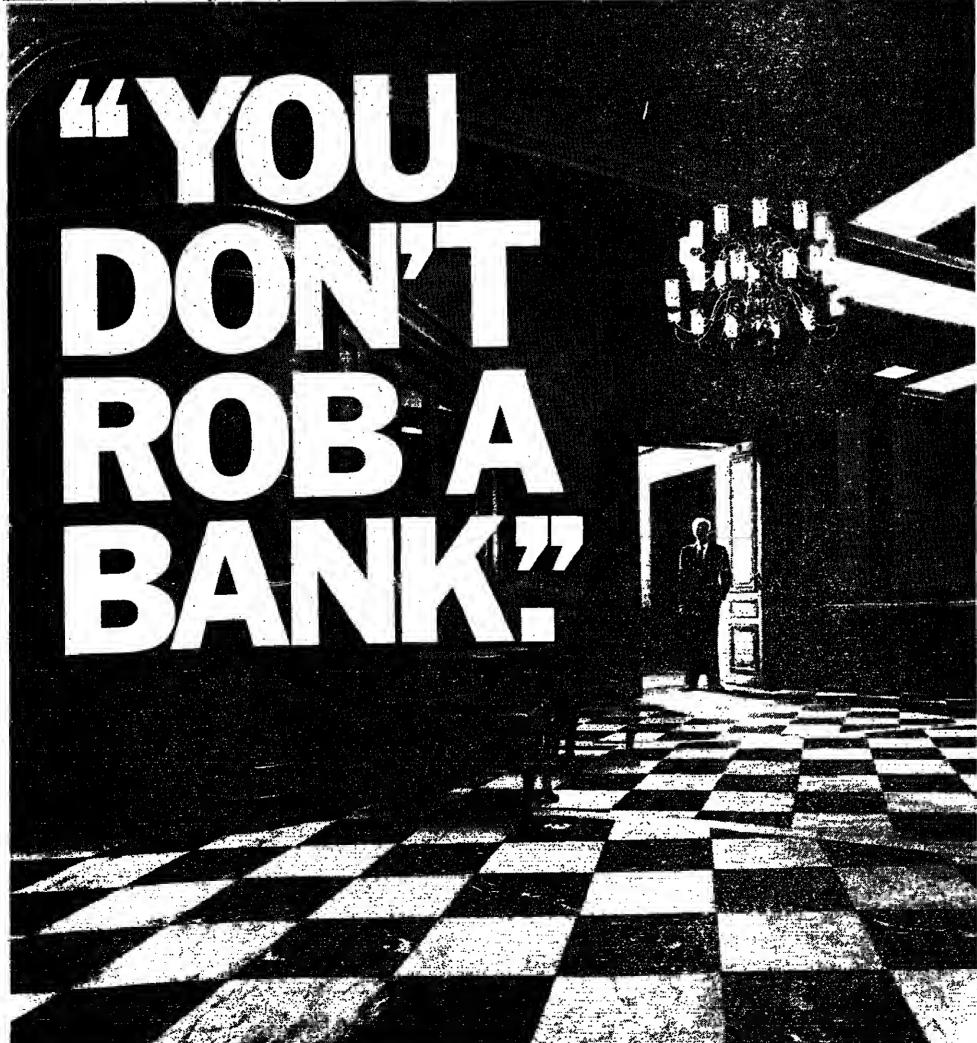
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brand of beer or drive their cars in a hit film. Product placement is big business

in America, and now agencies are courting British producers with an eye to our

television market. Bryan Appleyard reports

"We gave Rambo his knife and Schwarzenegger his sunglasses", says Russell Pickering, London manager of Associated Film Promotions, AFP also put Panasonic hardware into the hands of the Ghostbusters. Budweiser beer down the parched throat of Clint Eastwood and gave Gene Wilder a Cadillac for The Woman in Red.

This is called "Product Placement" and the manufacturers paid handsomely for the privilege of appearing in the films. After all it comes cheaper than television advertising during the life of a big budget movie it reaches more people and it creates a public image without the public realizing. AFP laughs all the way to the bank and the film-makers find their budget pressures are But just as the marketing men

are considering product placing on British iclevision, advertising executives in this country have begun to express doubts about the ethics of such deals. Any such move will bring them into direct conflict with the BBC and the IBA - product placing can break the rules. But suddenly a lot of people are trying to find ways of doing just that. Some say they have done it already. Using the movies to advertise

goods is almost as old as cinema itself. It was common enough, even in the 1930s or 1940s, to thank airline or car companies in the credits for travel or free props. And unofficially, props managers, when dispatched to find a car, would take backhanders from local dealers.

But then along came Bob Kovoloff. He came out of the American advertising industry

with the conviction that such placements were worth big bucks — the industry just needed a little organizing. He formed AFP and, from 1977, created a new method of film financing.

The first venture was the Jerry Lewis film Hardy Working in which Kovoloff placed Dunkin Donuts. Quaker State Motor Oil and Goodyear tyres. From then on he never looked back. The industry he invented has expanded to the point where virtually every big budget, non X-rated film pro-duced by Hollywood will be littered with product placements.

Back to the Future had no fewer than 37, including Toyota, JVC Camcorders and Pepsi-Cola.

The coup that everybody talks about in hushed tones was ET

But the greatest product placement coup of all, the one that everybody in the business talks about in hushed tones, was ET. When the small boy lured the cuddly alien from his hideout, he used a trail of sweets. These were Peeces Reeces, thanks to the film, sales instantly shot up by 85 per cent. Another sweet - said to be M 'n' Ms. the American equivalent of Smarties - had originally been specified in the script, but it was changed to accommodate the highest bidder. The placement was so successful that everybody in the cheapest level of exposure, but



while in the

Pass the product placement: Harold Ramis offers a Cheez-it to Dan Aykroyd in Ghostbu

business now claims credit, and nobody is now sure who closed the

That is an indication of how many competitors AFP has spawned. One estimate suggests that there are 30 placement agencies working in the United States. Now the two biggest - AFP and International Film Promotions. its main rival - are in London fighting for the queue of British and European manufacturers who dream of seeing Sylvester Stallone wearing, driving or smoking their

Mark Gottlieb, managing direc-tor of IFP in London, is currently celebrating successes that include the Pengeot Glenn Close drives in Jagged Edge, the Adidas shoes from That's Dancing and the Cheez-lis eaten in Ghostbusters. He is also pleased with the Martini poster which Julie Walters walks past in Car Trouble - for, although it is an American-financed movie, everything else about it is British, a promising sign for the UK placement industry.

Gottlieb says the sums of money involved in each placement vary enormously. The biggest known placement was the \$5m put into Santa Claus by McDonald's hamburgers, But Gottlieb stresses that the average placement in-volves relatively small sums. A example, a product just happens to be lying on a table may be the

every additional degree of emphasis costs more. A line of dialogue such as "Gee these widgets are great!" is the ultimate.

"We are talking about marginal money for the film makers enough to allow them an extra day's shooting or something like that". Gottlieb says. Agencies like IFP receive scripts

from the studios long before shooting starts. Gottlieb then vets them for "placement opportunities" and produces a newsletter outlining new productions and the sort of props that might be required. His clients pay a basic £50,000 a year and are guaranteed placements in six movies. The bigger the movie the greater the competition and the higher the bidding. For anything by Spielberg the companies tend to deal direct with the studio, cutting out the agencies. But there are now so many placements that there is something for everyone in

every big movie.

Both Gottlieb and Pickering insist that British demand for the service is immense. Primarily, of course, it comes from UK manufacturers with distribution in the US. But as the market develops, the agencies are finding ways of placing in films likely to be successful in the UK. And Contlint save he is about to revent Gottlieb says be is about to reveal a new way of using films for product promotion.

Both companies are cagey about all their clients, but Vauxhall,

Toshiba, Buchanan's whisky and DHL are all in there. AFP are even opening a warehouse in Acton, west London, from which film makers can simply take their clients' products off the shelves (on condition that the products are not sbown in a derogatory

Television is the next big challenge for the agencies

Gottlieb, at least, is not following the American pattern; he is dealing with advertising agencies as well as directly with the companies. In the US the advertising people have effectively missed the product placement boat, and, in this country, agencies are still smarting after the slow way they climbed on the sponsorship band-wagon. Many feel determined not to get caught out this time round. Leading the field is Dorlands where Nick Farley, a director, is trying to sell the idea to his clients, which include Rover, whose new car Dorlands will be promoting. But he is determined not to go down the crude American route. He feels product placement there has been given a bad name by

scatter-gun tacties which pay no

sttention to the precise placing of

product. The real value of placement". be says. "lies in product position-ing. With ordinary advertising you can only say so much. With placement you can bint at what kind of product it is far more effectively. For example, you can always see cars, but placement says this is the kind of car driven by this kind of man."

Peter Fincb, a director of Ayer Barker, has come out fiercely against the whole idea, Writing in Campaign, advertising's trade magazine, be said: "It represents a fundamental blurring of the distinction between advertising and editorial that compromises one of the basic strengths of our business. Advertising is founded on an essential bonesty: we always acknowledge we're making a sale."

Finch wants agencies to make clear that they "will not compromise the integrity of the product even if film-makers can be tempted to compromise theirs". The implication is that placement comes perilously close to subliminate advertiging nal advertising.

The placement people do not see it that way. Their readiness to discuss the industry as a serious, respectable business reflects a certainty that the shadow of the back-lot backhander has long But on one aspect of the

business they all suddenly button up. What about television? "No

comment", said Gontlieb. "No comment", said Pickering. "No comment", said Farley. The reason is that large-scale

product placement on television is the ultimate coup. A well-placed product can appear weekly, seen by millions at a time; s film which contains substantial product placement and then goes on to be shown on television has what is known in the business as "media roll-out". The attraction is that television producers cannot edit out products as they can sex and violence: equally, while television has clear guidelines over advertis-ing for its producers, as yet there are no guidelines referring to feature films which are bought in. Bought in programmes are not something we can control closely, but I don't think we have a serious problem yet", says Michael Bunce, bead of BBC publicity.

Kovoloff's famous coup in this area was to persuade the kids in Fame to dance around carrying packets of Tide. But in Britain it is a sensitive subject; both the rules of the IBA and the BBC forbid undue prominence being given to commercial products. Both con-firmed that they would reject any attempt by manufacturers to pay for placements.

But there are very grey areas. When Frank and Nesta Bough were sent on a driving tour round France for a BBC holiday programme. Ford were asked to provide a car. They supplied an Escort cabriolet from their press fleet. There was no payment. Sales of cabriolets can hardly have been hindered by several weeks of exposure in a perfect promotional

setting with the implied endorsement of such a famous figure.

The BBC says the car was requested for logistical reasons.
Bough and his wife were filming only at washands to one can be deonly at weekends so one car had to be kept in France all the time, it had to be soft-top, and so on. A fee

was offered to Ford but refused. Overall there is no question that agencies are angling to get on television and turn lucky opportunities like Ford's into a systematic business. Yet they know they cannot talk about it, for the only way into the existing channels is through the back door - any admission that it happens will force the IBA and the BBC to act.

However, enforcement is a big problem. With the proliferation of independent production companies and television and video material in general, who is to know when a product has been placed or when it just happens to be there? The demands of realism can hardly be met if all commercial products are kept out of shot.

Judging by the placement industry's expansion so far it seems clear that television is simply the next challenge. So watch for the odd product which ust happens to get into shot When the product placers are at work, nothing is there by accident.

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heart disease will continue to increase", he said.

The authorities are trying hard to limit the trend. Where-

as our own NHS employs nuly 1.000 dieticians, Japan, with

wice the population, employs 50 times as many and has an additional 150,000 trained vol-

The problem is that it is very chic in Japan to follow

western fashions. Women are

hop fronts, posters and

It is more than a matter of

unteers in the community.

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Changing face of the East fearful about the future. "I am particularly concerned that

The eastern cult for junk food may be

having a remarkable effect on the health

and appearance of Japan's youngsters

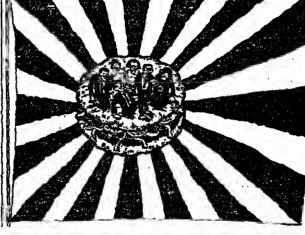
R enowned as a nation of skilled imitators, Japan has now taken the art of the copycat to its altimate: the Japanese face is becoming sternized. The transforma tinn from the relatively round, proportionately large, high-cheekboned face to one that is maller and more uval is occurring, according to epide-miologists in Takyo, among what must be one of the most rapid evolutionary changes of all time. The cause, they believe, is the rapid American ization of the Jspanese diet.

The unending international debate about diet and disease constantly focuses on Japan for proof or refutation of arguments, particularly about the link between dietary fat and heart disease. Ynn dn not need to stay long in Tnkyo or any other Japanese city to see vby. Dunkin Donuts, Baskinbins ice-cream parlours. and other American fast-food

The new food could bardly be more different from the traditional Japanese diet of rice, vegetables and fish, both raw and cooked. The young people who eat it do not need to chew nearly as much, andas a result their jaws are less developed. The shape of the face is changing accordingly, with the sort of associated troubles that worry western-ers. There is even a discernable trend towards short-

On the positive side, the youngare no average 4in taller than their parents. And in terms of longevity, Japan leads the world with life expectancy 74 years for men and 80 for women, three years longer than in Britain. Infant mortality is also the world's

But the nation that has shot from fendal backwardness to the world's second most pow-



tionists believe that a growing incidence of nbesity means that Japan could enter the Guinness Book of Records on another count, as the first major nation to suffer a signifi-cant fall in key health indices such as longevity.

Toshiko Sunada, an adviser to the food and agriculture ministry, says: "The unwanted and ansightly problem of obesity is creeping on Jupan. But how do you stop a megatrend?"

Japan's traditional diet is often linked with the country's low incidence of heart disease, but the experts are still at odds over this; they are not even sure whether heart disease is increasing. Meanwhile, there are other health problems.

or centuries, the main cause of natural death among Japanese was ce-rebrovascular stroke. It caused more deaths than cancer and beart disease combined Strokes continue at a higher rate than in most countries, due perhaps to traditionally highly salted fish and fermented seasonings like soya sauce.

The same causes are nttribnted to the commonest malignaacy, stomach cancer, possibly exacerbated by very hot drinks and squatting at meals, which impedes the flow of gastric juices. But western forms of cancer are taking over and clearly indict diet as a main cause.

According to a report by the Japan Dietetic Association all the main western "killer" diseases are coming to the erful economy in less than a forc. Cancer of the breast, liver century could still psy n price and colon are appearing signif-for its affluence. Some nutri-icantly for the first time and

smokers and there are as yet no controls on cigarette advering or tar content.

Nakagura, sam that because cholesterol levels among Japanese under 25 are now even higher than those of a similar age in the United States, he is

7 At first sight (5.5)

wearing jeans, Mozart provides background music in lifts and there is an extensive equivalent of Franglais— Japglish?—which figures on their increasing incidence par-allels the rising consumption of meat and the growing use of animal rather than vegetable oils in cooking. Deaths from diabetes have trebled in 25

ang cancer has also doubled in a generation: the Japanese are heavy

A health ministry expert on obsesity, Professor Harno Nakamura, said that because

hoardings, magazines and, in-creasingly, in daily life. fashion, however. Today's Japanese are such workahol-

Japanese are such workano-ics, and society values hard work so highly, that conve-nience foods are a godsend, in particular for working women. Traditional cuisine with its varied ingredients — 30 or 40 in a typical meal - is very me-consuming. Until science establishes

me cast-iron links between western diet and western disease, it seems unlikely that Jupan will revert to rice, seaweed and shellfish.

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FASHION by Suzy Menkes

THE TIMES TUESDAY MARCH 4 1986

The present tense of French dress

French fashion is centre stage in London this spring. Harrods is holding a six week long Gallic promotion. This morning, Princess Stephanie of Monaco unveils her swimsuit collection. French shop openings and designer launches both suggest that Paris is fashion's leader again. But do we insular British understand the language of their clothes? For those who have left the pen of their aunt in the schoolroom, here are some useful exercises - for intermediary and advanced fashion students as

PREMIÈRE LECON - FIRST LESSON PRESENT TENSE OF FRENCH FASHION Write out in full

(l) Loudon likes French fashion

(2) Is Paris making a come-back?(3) Yves does not find Karl sympathetic (4) Princess Stephanie designs sexy swimsuits

DEUXIEME LECON - SECOND LESSON REGULAR AND IRREGULAR COMMENTS

(I) I (the Fashion Editor) admire French fashion (2) You (familiar) are too fat to wear it (3) She (Princess Stephanie) is in the Pool Position (4) Are we (the British) dressing with French polish?

(6) They (the French) are making millions of francs TROISIÈME LECON - THIRD LESSON

(5) You (plural) are going shopping

USEFUL FASHION PHRASES A. What do you understand by the following terms? Chic - entente cordiale - nouvelle vague - louche -

B. Choosing one of the above, complete the sentences below
(1) Jean Paul Gaultier is the of French fashion
(2) This YSL suit is the height of Parisian (3) Lolita Lempicka is a young French designer of the ...
(4) How deliciously is French lingerie!
(5) In-store French promotions cement the

QUATRIÈME LECON - FOURTH LESSON FRENCH FASHION: PAST, IMPERFECT, FUTURE

(1) Skirts will be short, tight and sexy this spring
(2) Givenchy dressed Audrey Hepburn in Breakfast at (3) Was French fashion losing its way in the swinging

(4) Chanel opens a new shop in Sloane Street in April

(5) Have you lost your waistline?
(6) Harrods will hold French fashion shows all this week

CINQUIÈME LECON - FIFTH LESSON

A SUBJUNCTIVE (1) Coco would love Karl's collection, as it is in her spirit (2) French fashion should score, now the body is back

(3) If you want fit, Alaia is your man B. IMPERATIVE (1) Buy French! (2) Remember the Italians!
(3) We must not forget British Fashion Week in March!

SIXIÈME LECON - SIXTH LESSON

L'sing the picture (below) as a guide, put into French
(1) Prince Rainier's younger daughter

2) The decline of the bra (3) Stephanie's design partner, Alix de la Comble (4) A Princess of the 1980s



Above: the essential Parisian silhouette for a mock-couture fine wool dress in gray with white piqué collar and askew bow tie. By Odila Lançon, £185 from Harrods Younger Set designer room. Cream felt bowler hat £19, bow trim black and white leather gloves, £44.95, both from Harrods, Knightsbridge, SW1. Black leather pumps, £39.99, from Hobbs, South Molton Street, W1 and branches. Tights by Charnos.

Top right: the new Chanel. Safari beige gaberdine coat dress with lightly padded raglan shoulders, contrasting black lapels and cinching gilt-buckled belt, £525. Gilt chain belts and sunburst earrings from a selection, all at Chanel Boutiqua, 26 Old Bond Street, W1. Right: fine Franch tailoring for Yves Saint Laurent's white grosgrain fitted jacket and slim skirt, for YSL Variation, £360 from Harrods International Room. Chimney pot hat by J Barthet, £185. White kid gloves with embroidered (lowers, £59. Geometric coral crystal earnings and necklace from Yves Saint Laurent collection at Harrods, Knightsbridge, SW1.

Make-up: Ruth Sheldon using pinks and oranges from Les Croislères collection by CHANEL. Hair: Guido for Tony and Guy.

Photographs by NICK BRIGGS taken at Tha Criterion Brasserie, Piccadilly

Has Spitting Image got it right? Its vision of Mrs figure imprisoned in pinstripes may be prescient rather than vicious. For the image makers still believe that it is a

Last week Austin Reed unveiled a programme to per-suade male and female executives to dress for success. "Looking the Part" is a 12-

minute video emphasizing to make its mark on Business, power dressing: the quality of a new magazine launched last the cloth, the importance of fit week jointly by Condé Nast, and the way to pick a shirt to the Financial Times and Kevin suit. Women are allowed a Kelly of the World of Intericolour (her male colleague plays with his tie pattern).

BUSINESS (MEN) AS USUAL

cording to Austin Reed's retail managing director, Peter Reed, is classic tailoring. Fashion as I understand it the subtle changes of shape, cut and fit - simply passes the boss class by.

Fashion has certainly failed to make its mark on Business,

It is aimed at the pin-striped heart of the market, with

picture spreads on football, Hong Kong high flyers, and the grounding of the glorious

British publishers have o ten flirted with a men's style magazine on the lines of the American GQ. In Business, not even n macho spread on watches interferes with the flow of company profiles.

I expect that the magazine will be a huge success. After all, real men probably care about making money, making women and making an impression in that order.

They certainly don't wear skirts. Maybe it's time that women execs aped that too.







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About Clothkits

Clothkits desigo and produce original and colourful clothes for men, women and children: clothes which offer spectacular value and style. Their team of eight talented designers create the shapes, colours and themes for two seasonal collections each year.

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Traditionally, Clothkits' fabric clothes come in kit form and are simple enough for even inexperienced sewers

to make. However, their catalogue now includes skirts and shirts ready-to-wear in their distinctive prints, so you don't have to be able to sew to wear the eyecatching designs. All the co-ordinating knitwear comes ready-made in the same unusual colour-

ways, together with accessories for a complete look. Clothkits produce a colour catalogue twice a vear and many of their customers buy by mail order, both in the United Kingdom and overseas. Their shops are in Lewes, Oxford, Guildford. Bath, Winchester and Covent

All the shops stock the current range and also extra lines not available by mail order. In addition they offer a selection of their kit clothes ready-made for personal

Garden and more are open-



DIARY

A touch of Feydough

Don't laugh, but former farceur Brian Rix has been asked to become chairman of the Arts Council's drama panel. The sec-retary-general of Mencap, famous for dropping his trousers on stage. could soon be in charge of £12 million of theatre grants—quite a jump from wowing audiences with shows like Let Sleeping Wires Lie and Reluctant Heroes. Far from decrying the likely appointment as "suhurbanite," panel members who resigned last year over grant cuts welcomed the news, One, playwright Olwen Wymark, told me: "It would be tremendous. Brian is a vigorous campaigner - he has done a great joh at Mencap - and I'm sure he would be prepared to fight for cash." Although no mention of Rix was made at last Wednesday's meeting of the Aris Council. I understand that the approach to fill the vacancy, arising from the resignation in November of RSC actor Tony Church, has been made by the Arts Council sec-retary general, Luke Rittner.

• Pinned on Coventry railway station is the sign: "Ladies' toilet out of order. Please use no I Platform."

No Scruton

Ray Honeyford may have resigned but the hitterness continues. Roger Scruton was due to speak at Leeds Civic Hall tomorrow, as part of a liberal-minded gesture by the city council's peace and emergency planning committee to invite speakers both for and against its nuclear policies. The council has now withdrawn the invitation, however. Scruton edits The Salisbury Review, the journal in which Honeyford's controversial article about education and race appeared. Such is toe legacy of bitterness over the Honeyford affair, the council could not guarantee his safety inside the public meeting. A Sheffield Tory councillor will instead make the case against peace studies in schools.

BARRY FANTONI



'Just long enrigh to find parking space at the supermarket'

High-level leaks

Is there something about American nuclear power stations that Washington doesn't know but British Airways does? A BA spokesman confirmed yesterday that solar radioactivity meters on Concorde flights had been trig-gered off while flying over the Eastern USA - apparently hy leaks from power stations. He could not give details, he said. because no records were kept. He emphasized, however, that passengers and crew were in no danger. The British Air Lines Pilots' Association (Balpa) said meters were intended to measure radioactivity from the sun, which emitted "quite acceptable" levels of radiation at high altitude. A claim last month that aircraft meters had recorded emissions from Aldermaston weapons research institute was not confirmed

No morals

Talking of censorship, a reader refers me to the new biography of Robert Graves by Martin Seymour-Smith. After being sent a copy of Count Belisarius hy Graves, Sir Winston Churchil wrote back, concluding: "I de-lighted also in the theological discussion which hiend so amusingly with the easy morals." Graves later wrote to Sir Winston asking if he could use the letter as the foreword to promote his book: Sir Winston replied he had no objection - provided Graves omitted the paragraph mentioning 'easy morals''.

 A football match between MPs and House of Commons staff at the weekend had to be cancelled. Lambeth conncit's all-weather pitch was unplayable - because nf

Dishing up

Professor Alan Peacock, chairman of the inquiry into BBC financing, is taking his box-watching duties seriously. He is now tuning into Italian and German news programmes and an occasional Dutch film, picked up by a 5 ft diameter satellite TV dish temporarily in-stalled in the garden of his Edinburgh home.

One of the more dramatic effects of a right-wing victory in the French general election on March 16 would be a significant weakening of the man who now enjoys more power than any other leader in the western world: President

François Mitterrand.
The French president's power. according to one senior western diplnmat. is out of all comparison with that of the US president, let alone that of the British prime minister, and indeed is equal 10 that of the first secretary of the Soviet Communist Party. In so far as he has control of the majority in parliament, he can do virtually whatever he wishes. He has only to snap his fingers and his orders are carried out. The whole of France lives in awe of the president.

Ever since the founding of a truly presidential regime in France under the Fifth Republic in 1958. successive presidents, starting with General de Gaulle, have taken more and more power into

their own hands. In opposition, Minerrand severely criticized the anti-democratic institutions of the Fifth Republic and condemned what he described as de Gaulle's coup d'etat permanent. But once in power, the first socialist president of France in 27 years donned the monarch's robe, adapting the institutions to his own use and increasing still further the president's powers.

Under Article 20 of the constitution, the prime minister is supposed to "determine and carry out the policy of the nation". But never more than under Mitterrand have the government and par-liament become a mere rubber stamp.

Mitterrand alone decided to put up the much-contested glass pyra-mid in front of the Louvre; to welcome General Jaruzelski to Paris: to bomb the Libyan-controlled airstrip in northern Chad; to abandon the bill to reform the private, predominantly Roman Catholic school system; to give the concession for France's first private television channel to the controversial Seydoux-Berlusconi team. Sometimes he informed his prime minister in advance; sometimes he did not bother.

The degree to which the president controls the life of the nation is reflected in the extraordinary way everything seems to come to a full stop when he goes on foreign trips. In a recent book, La Vie quotidienne à Matignon, Thierry
Pfister, chief aide to Pierre.
Mauroy when he was prime
minister, gives a clear picture of
the way Mitterrand acts as the
central axis around which government revolves.

Everything flows into, and out of, the Elysee Palace. If a minister wants to take some initiative be seeks an audience with the relevant presidential aide rather than with the prime minister.

Everyone goes in fear of Mitterrand. It is not a good thing for democracy," one close friend said. Mitterrand is by nature a **roud, autocratic m** to be crossed and who has always expected his followers to pay him court. Few are those who are permitted to use the familiar tu in conversation with him.

Catherine Nay, in her bestselling biography of Mitterrand, Le Noir et le Rouge, quotes André Roussclet, another intimate friend and now head of the Havas advertising agency, as saying that after Mitterrand's election in 1981. nothing changed for his immediate entourage. For us, he had always been the president."

All Mitterrand's friends comment on his evident love of the exercise of power. "He is not a man to want to share power, nor a man to give it up without a hard fight." one said. So even if the Socialists suffered a really severe defeat on March 16, it is unlikely he would resign on the night of the elections. He's a fighter and will still try to cling to power." The mainspring of that power, however - his control of the majority

Juhannesburg Dr Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert, the

former leader of the official white

opposition in South Africa, caused a furore in liberal circles here

when he abruptly quit parliament

on February 7. declaring that parliamentary politics bad be-

come "a grotesque ritual of irrelevance" incapable of bringing

On leaving parliament, in which he had led the staunchly anti-apartheid Progressive Federal Party (PFP) since 1979. Slabbert declared that he intended hence-

forth to pursue what he called "the

politics of negotiation" outside,

from where he believes the main

pressures for change will now

For many liberals, his decision was a cruel hlow. In effect, their

former leader was telling them

that they had been wasting their time. PFP veterans such as Helen

Suzman who weathered 13 long

years as the sole anti-apartheid

voice on the opposition benches during the Verwoerd and Vorster

periods, felt betrayed and told him

so. He was widely accused of lacking staying power and of an act of gross self-indulgence.

Stanley Uys, the noted liberal

commentator and fellow Afri-kaner, described Slabbert's resig-nation as "incomprehensible". No

one, he said, had been in a better

position in opposition to break the mould of white politics. "Yet just

when his labours over twelve years

were beginning to bear fruit, he

The opposite view is argued by

Allister Sparks, former editor of the now defunct Rand Daily Mail,

who wrote recently that hy resign-

ing from parliament Slabbert had

placed himself in a unique

position to be a potential future

mediator as the seemingly un-

avoidable confrontation between

African and Afrikaner national-

packed it in".

apartheid to an end.

Diana Geddes outlines the likely tensions between president and prime minister if the right wins the French general election

Clinging on to power -if he can



in parliament and therefore of the government - will have been re-

Commenting recently on the possibility of a right-wing victory, Minerand said: "Depending on the results, my role could change. but my function, duties and rights will remain the same, whatever happens." However, that function and those rights and duties are not

The ambiguous terms in which the constitution sets out the president's powers have never been tested. It appears to allow two very different readings, one giving the upper band to the president, the other giving control of the nation's affairs to the prime minister and parliament. Until now, the presidential reading bas held sway, but it is likely to be a different matter when he is faced by a hostile majority in par-

As Charles Pasqua, leader of the Gaullist RPR Group in the senate, commented last week: "If Mitterrand wants to stay, that's his problem. We will accept it because

we respect the constitution ... but it is he who holds the purse-strings who governs. It is the government that prepares the budget, not the president. It is parliament that votes it, not the president. The only funds he has at his disposal are those required for running the Elysée. One cannot carry out a major political programme with that."

Ministers will no longer run to the Elysee once they realize that the Matignon, the prime minister's office, controls the funds they need for their pet projects. Mitterrand will no longer be able to snap bis fingers to get the minister of the interior to lay on extra police for a Jaruzelski visit.

Under the constitution, the president has the right to appoint

the prime minister but can get rid

of him only by forcing bim to offer his resignation and that of his government. In the past, when the prime minister depended on the president's patronage, that was a relatively simple matter. Bot it will not be so easy if the prime minister derives his authority from a parliamentary majority opposed to the president.

Some opposition leaders, tocluding ex-president Giscard d'Estaing, maintain that in such circumstances the president would be deprived of all decision-making and executive power, save that of dissolving parliament and pressing the nuclear button. But since the elected president is traditionally seen as the embodiment of the will of the people, Mitterrand will retain a certain power and in-

He will naturally play on the prestige of his office to the fullest possible extent. He has no inten-tion of turning himself into a constitutional monarch, passing bis time in "inaugurating chrysanthemum shows", as de Gaulle said of the figurehead presidents of the Third and Fourth Republics. Neither does be mean to retire to a château outside Paris to serve out the final two years of his mandate in stately solitude, as Giscard said he would when confronted by the possibility of a hostile parliamentary majority before the 1978 elections. "I will not remain inert," Mitterrand has said.

However, the opposition parties have made it equally clear that they will not deprive themselves of one iota of the power which they insist will rightfully be theirs once they get their majority. Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist RPR leader and most likely to be the next prime minister, said last week that Mitterrand must give a clear undertaking that he will allow a new right-wing government to introduce in full, "without compromise or concession", the prowhich have been regarded under the Fifth Republic as the president's special preserve, Chi-rac has said these would be a matter for the new right-wing prime minister to decide "because the control". He saw no reason why both the prime minister and the president should not represent France at international summits.

Mitterrand once said it would be the equivalent of a coup d'état if the opposition sought to take foreign policy from him, though more recently he has accepted that it is a divided responsibility.

gramme on which it was elected before any opposition leader would agree to become prime

As for foreign policy issues

minister.

Given the apparently contradic-tory positions of Mitterrand and the opposition on a division of power, it is difficult to see bow "cohabitation" could be peaceful.

However, Mitterrand and Chirac - if he is the next prime minister - will both have a vested interest in making cohabitation at least appear to work. Mitterrand has no desire to go down in history as the first Fifth Republic presi-dent to be forced to resign (de Gaulle went voluntarily) and Chirac wants to use the power and prestige of the prime minister's office to enhance his own standing in the contest against Raymond Barre, his coief rival nn the right, for the 1988 presidential election.

Neither wants to give Barre the credit and satisfaction of having his own predictions of political chaos and paralysis under "cohabitation" proved right. So there will have to be more give and take than either is now willing to admit.

"We shall not give our fellow citizens the spectacle of a France which has suddenly become ungovernable," Chirac said in a little-noticed campaign speech in Bourg-en-Bresse a month ago. We shall not give the nations abroad the spectacle of a country which does not know how to accept a change of government."

But bow could Mitterrand ever agree to sign some of the legisla-tion likely to be passed by a new right-wing majority in parliament it is asked? Well, what, precisely? There is little to the opposition's remarkably moderate election manifesto that Mitterrand should have too much trouble swallowing. He has already said he does not regard nationalization as a panacea. He is unlikely to object too strongly to the right's promise to return to a majority-voting electoral system - he has always said he considers a regular change of voting system good for a country. Something like the reintroduction of the death penalty would be a sticking point, but that is unlikely because Chirac and a number of other opposition leaders are opposed to it.

So there does not need to be a head-on clash, provided neither side wants one. "Mitterrand does not want a cohabitation of conflict," a Gaullist friend said. "He is flexible; be will be willing to accept many things. But he must not be humiliated, otherwise he is rand must be left with at least the semblance of power.

In a television interview on Sunday, Mitterrand hinted for the first time that he might resign if robbed of too much power: "! would prefer to renounce my office than renounce the powers of my office . . . There is oo question of my becoming a cut-price president." But his comments may have been designed more to frighten traditionalist voters rather than as a genuine threat. Earlier in the interview he again declared that he intended to serve out his full seven-year term and warned of a "certain disorder and difficulties" if the election resulted

in a right-wing majority.

If the right does win, most of Mitterrand's real powers are likely to seep away. But, come 1988, the new president will probably resume control of the majority in parliament and become once again the most powerful man in the western world.

Slabbert resignation: Michael Hornsby on the questions that remain unanswered

Mediator or collaborator?

What this view argues, in essence, is that Slabbert has accurately detected a fundamental shift in the balance of power from parliamentary to extra-parliamentary politics, and has shrewdly invested in the future. It can only be a matter of time, it is suggested, negotiate with such groups as the outlawed African National Congress (ANC), and the former PFP leader, with his impeccable Afrikaner and liberal credentials, will then be available as the ohvious But is such a role feasible, or is it

just another South African liberal pipe-dream? It is true that Slahben's resignation has boosted his credibility among many hlacks, but a mediating role would only have meaning if Pretoria was prepared to negotiate with the ANC on a transfer of political power, and that day is still a long way off.

Slabben's potential as a mediator has also been seriously compromised by President P. W. Botha's decision to publish the transcript of a confidential conversation held between the two men on November 25 last year which, unknown to Slabbert, was being tape-recorded. The president made the conversation public after Slabbert bad claimed that the obduracy of Botha's views, as

had been a material factor in hardening his resolve to leave parliament. He said their talk had left him deeply depressed and convinced that Botha would never abandon his view that legally defined racial groups, and the preservation of a large measure of white control, must remain the basis of the South African political

The transcript of the conversa-tion largely confirms this assessment and makes salutary reading for anyone who still believes that the president has some "hidden agenda" of reform which he cannot disclose for fear of arous-ing the ire of white right-wingers. There is, in fact, no difference between the public and the private Botha. At the same time, however, Slabbert does not emerge at all well from the conversation. As one commentator put it: "After several careful readings. I find it hard to believe that this was an opposition leader talking to the head of government with anything other than the offer of close cooperation in mind". Another wrote: "A black radical might be forgiven for saying, Look bow close those two Boers came to

ganging up together. At one point in their conversation. Slabbert tells Botha that the

ANC can be defeated and offers to

advise him on how to "draw its teeth". He also suggests that the ANC is "a myth" and "a romantic picture" which exists largely in the minds of people overseas. One wonders how this will go down in Lusaka where only a week or two earlier the ANC had praised Slabbert's decision to quit par-liament as "heroic". (Slabbert met ANC leaders while in London and reportedly apologized for his re-marks, saying they had to be understood "in context".) Slahbert and Botha are also

shown agreeing with each other that the ANC and Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, leader of the rival Zuludominated lukatha movement both want to be "the only bull in the kraal". Chief Buthelezi has since replied waspishly by saving that they sounded like two white bosses discussing their problems with "a difficult, uppity Kaffir". Elsewhere, Slahbert tells Botha that he found the ANC leaders he had met far more reasonable and less radical than the "swartetjies" (Afrikaans for "little blacks") at home, a reference to the militant youth in South Africa's black townships. This may be no more than a statement of the truth, but the choice of word has a distinctly

patronizing ring.
It may be that Slabbert was simply using language and con-cepts which Botha would be likely to understand in an attempt to establish areas of agreement that could later be exploited. A less charitable interpretation is that Slabbert's resignation was motivated mainly by pique that he was not taken into Botha's confidence

more fully. Either way, the general feeling here is that Slabbert still has some explaining to do, both to his fellow white liberals whom he left in the lurch and to the extra-parliamentary groups with whom he apparently hopes to co-operate in **Digby Anderson**

Give the law a day off too

Sunday shop-opening is a straight-forward matter for two groups. Illiberal Christians are against permitting consenting adults to buy and sell what they wish on Sundays and want them punished with the full force of the law. Non-Christian liberals, who would minimize government regulation, wholeheartedly support the Shops Bill. But what should Christians who are also of a liberal dis-

position do? Their conclusions will turn on their view not so much of Sunday trading as of the law. But first they will listen carefully to the argu-ments of their church leaders. These are not (and I am concerned throughout with the Church of England) in general derived from sabbatarianism. They are nnt about church attendance: few fear that committed Christians will be unable to attend a church. Nor is the main issue shopworkers'
"rights": the hishops were criticized by the Labour Party for not

supporting such "rights".

Anyway, the well-informed liberal knows that the rights of those who wish not to work have to be weighed against the rights of those who do and consumers whn pay both. He also knows that Sunday shops often employ a separate labour force, and that stores report a queue of applicants wanting to escape the "rights" which the turrepresentative Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers would have imposed.

No, the church leaders have two points. The minor one is that, as the petitions show, activist church members are strongly against Sun-day shopping. The Christian lib-eral will balance that against the polls which persistently show the larger non-church population for it. The major point is that Sunday

ought to remain "special",
If "special" means "not like the
other six days of the week", be will be reassured to learn that freer Sunday sbopping elsewhere, in Scotland or Sweden, has not turned Sunday into "another Saturday". But it is not clear what "special" means. The Bishop of Birmingbam talks of the "rhythm" of work and rest, which sounds nice enough but contains the questionable notion that all the population should be commanded by the state to have the same rhythm and, if off-beat enough to choose their own, be punished by fine or imprison-

And is the present British Sunday a "day of rest"? "Rest", like rbythm, sounds nice. It has biblical associations and suggests deserved tranquillity, requiem. But might not "lounging to bed", "sleeping off last night's excesses" "dozing fitfully after too much beef and yellow sprouts both even more over-cooked than intended how many other Christian liberals because of father's late return are there today? from the Red Lion", "watching

with the children, who are bored be more accurate descriptions of

be more accurate descriptions of many Sundays?

Another word used like "rest" rhetorically to sanctify a largely secular argument, and tims make it the church's concern, is "family". Sunday is a family day. But it will not have escaped the liberal's Christian notice that buying or even selling, for example, tinned bahy food on Sunday is not the main threat to the family. the main threat to the family.

For 25 years, it has been suhverted by more permissive attitudes to and tax-funded subsidies for abortion, divorce, sex outside marriage and its consequences and perversion. Against none of these has the Church of England mounted the same unanimous attack as it has on the comparatively trivial issue of

Sunday shopping.

And what Sunday are the church leaders for? They admit the present legislation is muddled and then propose new muddles for old. A hishop for whom I have had total respect actually proposed that while ordinary shops be restricted, shops on religious premises be free to sell whatsoever

they wish. Others propose this be sold and not that, this size shop open but not that, "small" shops with turnover below £x be open but not those above. How would officers enforce such Byzantine regulations? Such unenforceable law is not only bad itself it brings the law generally into disrepute and

erodes law-abiding habits.
For in the end the controversy is about the proper and discriminate use of law. Modern society relies too much on more and more laws to solve its problems: there are now 3,100 general public acts in force plus 13.000 general statutory

instruments. Yet old, even archaic laws are rarely repealed, though many would never now be passed as new laws. Would any of those pleading for the retention of the Sunday laws be rash enough to advocate them as new laws? How many would support them if they did?

We might learn here from the bumble university librarian. Faced with reduced budgets, he makes any order for a new journal conditional on the proposer indicating an existing journal for discontinuation. Had such a system operated for politicians proposing legislation, the laws prohibiting Sunday shopping would have gone long ago.

Even if the Christian liberal

prefers his Sunday to remain as it s, and other people's to remain as he wistfully imagines them to be, he will understand that in this case it is inappropriate, even harmful, to use the full majesty of the law to impose bis preference. But then,

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moreover . . . Miles Kington

No rest from the baize haze

And welcome to tonight's snooker special, which comes from the Dylan Thomas Memorial Hall in Cardiff, or perhaps it's the Robin Hood Stadium to Nottingham, or it could be the Arthur Scargill Assembly Rooms in Doncaster or maybe Newcastle - anyway it's a very important snooker tournament, because whoever wins this contest will surely be in line to be favourite for the Washing Up Powder Championship which begins next week in Sbeffield, or do I mean the Frilly Bow-Tie Premier Title which starts early tomorrow morning in Hong Kong? Dick?

Thank you, Brian, and you join us at a very crucial moment, because we are just moving to-wards the quarter-final stage of the D. H. Lawrence Centenary Snooker Cup here at the Crucifix in Nottingham, with Willie Cook leading Steve Cook by five frames to two. You have to remember that each round is the best of 57 frames,

so either man can win. Brian? Thanks, Dick, To get to this round, Willie Cook had to beat Eddie Cook, the enormous Canadian, and Steve Cook had to edge out Alun ap Cook, the wily Welshman, and my goodness what a tussle that was, as you'll know if you stayed up until two o'clock this morning. It all went to the final black on the 57th frame, and I don't suppose we shall see a better game of snooker unless we stay up until two o'clock tonight, Dick?

As you say, Brian, this is snooker at its very best, which is what we al-ways expect from the Plastic Flower Display Tournament here at Grantham, or Peterborough, at any rate it's somewhere on the Al personally I find it very hard to tell one snooker game from another these days, but one thing's certain, you join us at a very crucial moment. Brian?

What's that, Dick? Crucial moment, Brian.

Oh. that's right, Dick, because as you join us here at the quarter-final stage of the Crucial Moment Cup. Willie Cook must get the pink to stay in this frame, and if he doesn't, Steve Cook will be right back in the game. Both men have shown exceptional courage to stick with it this far, and the same goes for us, would you agree with that, Dick?

I certainly would, Brian, because personally I haven't the faintest idea what's going on. sonnetimes I wake up and think to myself, wouldn't it be nice to have a day without snooker, I mean for instance I think this is the Stripey Waistcoat World Championship here at the Government Warning Hall in Leeds, and that's Terry "Whirlwind" Cook trying to get back on the blue with a dangerous cushing that had the cushion shot, but I could be totally mistaken. Dick?

No, I'm Brian. Right. Brian?

And Cook has to get this yellow down, because otherwise it will mean snookers. Of course, this isn't happening now, it's happen-ing much earlier in the evening and we already know which of these two men won, but we have to keep it a secret, otherwise you wouldn't even switch on to watch. Willie Cook, remember, is wearing the tight waistcoat, and Steve Cook is wearing the full swathed ball-gown in tulie. Dick?

Thank you, Brian, and now Willie is going for a very difficult double off the back cushion ... and there he goes! He hurtles down through the air, twisting as he goes, a jack-knife and a double sometime to the sometime to the best of the sometime. somersault, then he hits the water!
Oh my goodness. an absolutely stunning entry... or should I say that he cannoned off the pink and messed up the whole shot? Brian?

What I think we have to remember at this stage is that this is the 23rd major tournament these men have faced this week, so it's not surprising that they're a little tired. Willie Cook is now getting into bis pyjamas prior to his next shot, but let's remember that he has to play an exhibition match in Hong Kong tonight and be back for tomorrow's session. It must be a terrible strain playing non-stop snooker - what's really amazing is that anyone is still watching it. Dick?

And the crowd has gone abolutely mad! Has it?

Yes. They're still here. Any sane crowd would be home in bed by now. And so with the score at 1512 frames each, it's good night from the Trefford Challenge Cup here at the Old Bus Shelter. Worthing, or somewhere like that.

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EDUCATION'S CONSUMERS

kin College, Oxford a "great debate" about education. His point was simple, and damning Schools - and colleges had forgotten who paid the bills. Pupils and students were ill-equipped for work. Their training, formal qualifications and attitudes were wrong. Mrs makers, employers and par-Thatcher's rediscovery of education policy when she spoke at the Conservatives' local government conference at the weekend was a restatement, in different terms, of Mr Callaghan's thesis: that education was too much the business of producers, too little the

concern of consumers. So far so good. Any effort to direct the public's attention to the state of the schools and colleges must be welcome. Yet in a decade a great deal has changed. Attitudes have shifted, not far enough perhaps, but in higher education as well as in the schools there are glimmerings of a new spirit of positive approval of wealth generation.

Surprising though it may seem to some, Mrs Thatcher's government has presided over a massive expansion of State involvement in the processes of gaining and renewing skills, especially the Youth Training Scheme of the Manpower Services Commission. The MSC may or may not be consistent with the Government's broader philosophy. It has undeniably been an effective

instrument of public purpose. The MSC's growth has in fact been a primary response to the concerns expressed in Mr Callaghan's speech, and it

It is ten years since Mr James now to follow Mrs Thatcher's concern. For the proper development of the MSC could represent an end to the anachronistic separation of education and training, vocational skill and academic achievement,

The MSC has begun to redirect the attention of policyents to what is arguably the most important sector of educational provision in this country - and that is neither the universities, nor the inner city comprehensives nor the public schools. It is the sector that goes under the initials FE, further education, a diverse array of colleges, providing an infinity of applied courses for pupils, young workers and

These colleges have grown up higgledy piggledy. They have grown up responsive, often linked in the most intimate way with local employer's and students' aspirations. This is the sector, providing technical, vocational and intermediate qualifications, in which the West Germans and the Americans outproduce Great Britain. This is the sector providing their skilled

workforces. · FE lacks glamour. Technical colleges lack political sexappeal. But they are the basis of any educational policy addressed to the terms of that unconcluded great debate.

Here ought to be the beginning of the review of policy that is apparently now being. undertaken. Suggestions about marrying the administration of education and training are ought to figure centrally in the entirely apposite. The lines of policy discussions that ought fresh policy thought should

encompass the future of the Technical and Vocational Education Initiative, courses for the 40 per cent of 16 year olds who still leave school without any qualification to their names. The think-tankers should examine the suggestion that children might leave formal schooling at the age of 14, provided they then followed a mixed sequence of education and training, work experience and college lasting for years perhaps right into adulthood. These are fit concerns for such

doil in Tild

Mrs Thatcher is evidently attracted to making education a centre piece of social policy, and not before time. But she is equally attracted by shibboleths. Vouchers are one of these. Maximizing parental energy and enthusiasm in education is a fine aim. There should always have been much more room for practical, local experiment.

But advocates of vouchers assume that parents are the sole consumers of education, a full proxy for employers and all those who receive and live with the products of the schools. They are not. The educational question is, as Mr Callaghan dimly perceived a decade ago, the better alignment of classroom and workplace for the large number of lower and middle ability children now ill served by the schools. There is much to be done, and in the MSC the government has a powerful tool Mrs Thatcher must not allow the debate to be distracted by the important but at this stage peripheral issue of mechanisms of middle class parents' choice of school.

SWEDISH REALISM

The assassination of Olof Palme and the manner in which he died, walking home from a night at the cinema, is bound to affect the political life of Sweden and the sense of security which its people enjoy. But to pretend as many commentators have in recent, days, that it has brought the country face to face with protests to Moscow. In fact reality after it has hidden for so neither political wine has ever long from the outside world, is to do an injustice, not least to the memory of its late prime

Sweden's neutrality stems from an awareness of the outside world, not from ignorance. There is an anecdotal joke in Stockholm about a general who is asked by a journalist where he thinks the main threat to Sweden might arise. "From the East" he promptly replies. His interviewer, conscions of the country's middle course, tries again. "Do you not think" he persists "that it might also come from the West?" The general ponders this awhile, then says: "Well, yes - I suppose if the Russians came around our flanks, it could come from the West as well."

To this extent there is little

doubt where their ultimate sympathies lie. If they ever doubted it the series of incursions by Soviet submarines in the waters around Sweden's defence installations, should have now settled the argument in most people's minds. Palme himself was under criticism from the right for muting his complained as vigorously as the Russians deserved. But to most Swedish people this reflects a sense of reality, not an over-indulgent leaning to-wards Big Brother

Nor are Swedish people isolated from the rest of the world as is commonly supposed. About one in eight passers by on any Stockholm thoroughfare is now likely to have been born abroad admittedly a high proportion of them in Finland. A generous immigration policy operated by left and right has brought around 30 minority comunities to Sweden, ubcluding some 40,000 Yugoslavs, more than 30,000 from Latin America, several thousand from Iran and as many as 17.000 Turks.

This even-handed benevo-

lence has brought its problems. Many of the 25,000 or so immigrants a year have imported their politics with them. The murder of the Yug oslav ambassador seven years ago and acts of violence, interspersed with still more disturbing threats, by refugees from elsewhere, notably the Middle East, have made even he Swedes uneasy. Many of these now fear that the murder of Palme - the inspiration of these immigration policies will lead to a backlash against

Palme led his country into a position of strong disagreement with the United States over the Vietnam War and there have been other occasions on which the Stockholm government has seemed to wear its heart on its sleeve. It might be a temptation - but would certainly be a mistake for Sweden to enshrine its international conscience as a kind of memorial to the man who has best represented it overseas. Equally it would be a mistake for Swedes to opt out of the international scene following the loss of their one political leader who was known to the world South of

has been to prevent the in-

dustry from expanding on a

That unhappy picture is beginning to change. The tech-

nological revolution on which

The Times, for instance, has

embarked should have taken

place ten years ago, but at least

it is happening now. As a

result, much less now stands

between the journalists and

their readers, who will gen-

erally have a greater opportu-

nity to judge newspapers by the quality of their writers'

The promise of a greater

choice from among more

newspapers renews hope for

the eventual creation of new

jobs, founded on a genuine

economic basis rather than on

the Luddite methods which

are always, in the end, bound

to fail. The industry and its

readers should applaud the

arrival of Mr Shah in London,

and the lesson he learned the

WELCOME TO TODAY tions of real jobs. The result

work.

modern basis.

Democracies flourish by the forthright and open discussion of policies and events which affect their citizens' lives. Informed discussion requires accurate information. Both have to be presented in a wide variety of styles and forms in order to communicate as widely as possible. This requires the maximum number of newspapers that readers are prepared to buy and sustain.

The first issue of Today, Mr Eddie Shah's colour tabloid newspaper, which is published this morning, is therefore to be welcomed. It will add to readers' choices. The maximum genuine competition must be as good for newspapers generally as it is for any other product.

In this particular case, however, there are other reasons for what has traditionally been called Fleet Street to acknowledge Mr Shah's initiative. For in his long difficult and ultimately successful barile

'Positive' scoring

Sir. The recent discussion on the

disproportionale advantage

resulting from the penalty in rugby union matches produced some interesting suggestions. Notable among these were the undervaluing of the classic winger's try, because of the outside chance of convention it and the need to

converting it, and the need to

reward try scoring relative to

penalty kicks.

From Dr C D. F. Rogers

(both in the courts and facing massed pickets in Warrington) to defend his Stockport Messenger from trade union attacks, Mr. Shah was one important catalyst in helping to bring about the changes which are now beginning to take place in the structure and practices of British national newspapers.

Despite the albatross of destructive union practices, which has for so long been hung round the neck of this industry, British readers are fortunate, compared with their counterparts overseas, in the choice of national newspapers they enjoy. But they could have been luckier still had the industry been free to develop as it could have done with evolving technology.

Unfortunately the print unions have long given overriding priority to what they saw as the preservation of existing jobs, even when these were non-jobs, or only frac-

irivialisiog this part of the game to

the extent that six points could be

awarded for a try and the conver-

I suggest that, for a try scored

between the touch live and the 15-

metre line, the conversion be

taken 15 metres in from touch. This would retain the incentive to

score close to the goal posts, would

retaio an important and tra-

ditional facet of the game and

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would increase the likelihood of a A proposal that conversions be takeo from in front of the goal goal being achieved. posts was, rightly, refuted as

hard way in Warrington.

If, for example, 50 per cent of conversions are currently made, a try is worth, on average, 5 points; the above amendment might result in a 75 per cent success rate and an average of 5.5 points per try. Hence a part restoration of

balance. Yours faithfully. C. D. F. ROGERS, 11 Sinope. Leicestershire.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Dr J. G. Raybould

militant as you suppose.

Sir, In your second leader of February 26 you state: "Geology, transport, land ownership: all

militate against the layman's solu-

tion of disposing of waste in unpopulated areas. The first of

these factors is by no means as

It is true that Nirex (Nuclear

Industry Radioactive Waste Exec-

utive) has confined its search for

low-level radioactive waste reposi-

tories to the main clay regions of

Britain. From these regions areas

of high population density or

conservation interest have been

eliminated and the search for

individual sites concentrated on

the remaining areas. In other

words, a technical issue - geology

- was adopted as the first criterioo

However, the disposal of low-

level and short-lived intermedi-

ate-level wastes is not so much a

technical problem as one of public

acceptability. An engineered bar-rier is capable of affording a

substantially greater degree of containment than is absolutely

necessary for the wastes io ques-

tion, and although geology is important to the design and

construction of a repository, its

significance in site selection is

This is recognised by Nirex. At a

conference in June last year Maurice Ginniff, the Director of

Nirex, accepted that it was not

necessary to rely on geology, but said, "We feel that because of the

uncertainty, particularly of public perception, we would like to have a multi-barrier approach."

Since public perception is such an important factor, it would seem

to be logical to give higher priority

to those "barriers" which the

public perceives as more crucial,

such as shorter transport routes or remote disposal (although you are

right in suggesting that these two

If areas other than clay areas

were considered, it is possible that

repository sites closer to the

sources of the waste, or in remote

Personally, I have every con-fidence that low-level and some

intermediate-level wastes could be

deposited safely at any of the four

sites now proposed. But if the

public in general want remoteness,

geology is certainly not one of the reasons why they shouldn't have

There is an irooy io all this,

While geology is unnecessarily

being made important in the

selection of low-level waste sites,

funding is available for only a

fraction of the geological research

which is now vital for the future

Palestinians...resort in self-defence

and in pursuit of their rights to

what some describe as terrorism

(my italics), must give us pause to

consider his moral position as a

'moderate" Palestinian intellec-

If the killing of a crippled Jew

oo board a cruise liner, the slaying

of three Jewish tourists in Cyprus,

the slaughter of 18 Jewish school

children in Maalot or the in-

discriminate massacre of Chris-

tian and Jewish passengers in an

airport lounge in Rome are exam-ples of "self-defence" or "what some describe as terrorism" then.

to my dismay, there seems to be

no common moral ground be-

tween us and I would have to agree

with Professor Mazzawi's own perception that "something trasic and evil has happened to the

Finchley Progressive Synagogue,

(other than meaningless plao-tudes) to a range of correspon-

5. The influencing of current

selection procedures for a new

head teacher, where the "system" allows for a single day to cover visit by short-listed applicants and

subsequent interview. And a

board dominated by county coun-ciliors pulled off a rota and

potentially lacking in experience of either local affairs or education

6. The stupidity of a decision by

county authorities to switch off

heating during the past half-term

despite the fact that similar action

at Christmas resulted in burst

pipes, flooded rooms, and damage

to floors that are only 10 years old.

The policy, Sir, should not merely be to stimulate appoint-

Palestinians.

Fehruary 26.

matters.

Yours faithfully

FRANK HELLNER,

54 Hutton Grove, N12.

disposal of high-level wastes.

Yours faithfully, J. G. RAYBOULD

56 Lonsdale Road,

Formby,

Merseyside. February 27.

situations, could be selected.

conflict to some extent).

much less.

on the selection of sites.

Disposing of nuclear waste

From Mr S.R. Tromans Sir, It must now be apparent that the disposal of ouclear waste is likely to pose intractable problems for British governments for the rest of the century and beyond. After a resting place has been found for the relatively short-lived and low-level wastes, the time will come when attention to the longer-lived and heat-generating wastes now in storage will oo longer be capable of postpone-

The decision to carry out investigations into the physical characteristics of potential sites for disposal is therefore to be welcomed. What is oeeded at this stage is the maximum information, with which the various disposal options can be weighed and tested. However, simultaneous hints of future rate rebates or the provision of social facilities for those living close to the site eventually chosen can only give rise to suspicion that we are witnessing, not the impartial gathering of information but the digging of foundations for the implementation of pre-formed

policy. Such no doubt is the stuff of politics. But the problem is that the issues to be faced with nuclear waste are not simply political and technological, but also concern ethics and equity. Conflicts occur not only between the interests of regions, but also generations. Many difficult moral choices bave to be made; do we for example adopt the priociple that each generation should deal with its own wastes permanently; or do we seek to preserve as much flexibil-

ity of future action as possible for our descendants? It is right that those adversely affected by any eventual decision as to disposal should be compensated fully by the rest of society. However, there is a danger that political expediency may lead to short-term regional gains being offered to make acceptable, or at least weaken opposition to, the easy solution. Given the sometimes ill-informed attitudes of public antipathy to the ouclear industry, it is understandable that any government will want to reach the answer which is most expedi-ent in political terms. Unfortu-nately, such an answer is by oo

means likely to be the right one. Happily, two opportunities for a hard and oon-site-specific look at waste-disposal policy will arise this year, with the Government's own study oo the best practicable covironmental option and the Commoos Eoviroomeot Committee's report oo readioactive waste. Is it too much to bope that advantage will be takeo of these opportunities, while information is being marshalled on possible sites for land

STEPHEN TROMANS, Selwyn College, Cambridge. February 27.

Palestinian aims From Rabbi Frank Hellner

Sir, Professor Mazzawi (feature, Sir, Professor Mazzawi (teatine, February 25) tells us that the partition resolution of 1947 "gave 67 per cent of the land of Palestine to the Jews". But surely he knows full well that, to the contrary, Great Britain had already given 80 per cent of Mandatory Palestine (45,820 square miles) to the Hashemites in 1922 to establish an independent Arah State of Trans Jordan (subsequently Jordan) and Jews living there were expelled and forbidden to settle there - a law, incidentally, which still ob-

What the partition resolution of 1947 gave to the Jews, in fact, was 67 per cent of the remaining 20 per cent of Palestine (about 6,000 square miles). Thus nearly 40,000 square miles, or about seven eights of Palestine, was awarded to the

Arabs. Mr Mazzawi's closing remark, however, that "If some

New schools for old From Mr M. C. F. Pettit

Sir. The proposed legislation to increase parental representation on school governing bodies is entirely praiseworthy for all the reasons set out in your own leader today (February 21) but the reality remains that the effective powers of governors are extremely limited and my experience over the past five years suggests that real power still resides in the hands of Couoty

As current vice-chairman of governors of Henlow Middle School (acknowledged as one of the best examples of this genre in the country) I have become increasingly frustrated by our mability to influence even such mundane eveous as: I. Effective disposal of rubbish.

2. Planned maiotenance of build-

3. Four years of discussion on catchment areas leading to yet further postponement for some

Sunday trading

for England and Wales.

From Lord Campbell of Croy

Sir. Shops in Scotland have for

years been free to open on

Sundays. In practice, only 16 per

cent do. The present situation in

Scotland is virtually what the

Shops Bill proposes to bring about

Recently I observed a large

number of leaflets in a

neighbouring church (nearly 300

miles north of the border) headed.

"Your Sunday is about to be hijaeked" and issued by a body

Meppershall. 4. Inability to obtain answers

ment of parent governors but to give them real, as distinct from apparent, power. Yours sincerely. MALCOLM PETTIT, Milverton, 1 Rectory Road, Shefford, Bedfordshire.

called the "Pro-Suoday

Coalition". The contents 10-

dicated that the authors did not

been as proposed (and therefore as

leaflet urged readers to write to

Wales. The freedom to open shops

on Sunday is exercised with discretion. For example, very little

opens in the north-west High-

lands. The large multiple retail

their MPs.

Regenerating urban areas

From Dr Nicholas Falk Sir, The imminent demise of the metropolitan counties makes it imperative to look again at the funding of major urban regeneration projects, especially where EEC funds are potentially available. Whatever their limitations, the metropolitan county councils did provide a mechanism for targeting investment on areas where the risks are greater than the private sector is prepared to bear. This particularly applies to the Victorian industrial areas, which

have suffered most from the rapid decline of manufacturing over the fast 10 to 20 years. In many cases the "solutions" of abandoning the areas or grassing them over are not feasible because the huildings are listed for preservation.

Though it is possible to devise practical schemes for reviving the heart of these areas — and the

recent opening of a canoe stalom course in Sowerhy Bridge shows what can be done - the regula-tions over public finance threaten to deprive regeneration schemes of the very funds they need. For example, local authorities in West Yorkshire are being prevented from taking up most of the £9 million expected from the

EEC under its textile closure areas schemes because of the restrictions on capital allocations. Surely, now is the time to concentrate on securing better value for public spending and on creating real jobs. This means modifying the rules so that well conceived regeneration schemes that have real local support and

the promise of EEC funds can go

Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS FALK, Director, Urbed. 99 Southwark Street, SE1. February 24.

A suspect gloss

From Mr Charles Beare Sir, I read with interest your saleroom corespondent's comment (Feburary 19) that "paintings that had been eleaned and restored were simply not selling, since this is a sure sign that they have been recently on the market". No doubt every branch of the art market has its bad pennies, but I wonder if there is not a more basic reason why the painongs were unpopular.

It has for many years been a feature of the market for musical instruments, for instance, that an ohviously restored Object is much less appealing to the eye, and therefore less easily sold, than ooe io a pure state, eveo if damaged. A premium is often paid, not so much because something has not beeo "seeo on the market" for many years, but because it has managed to escape the extravagant attentions of the average

restorer. Surely the aim of the restorer should always be to do what is absolutely necessary and oo more, to repair damage but to preserve the honest, unrestored appearance that gives an antique object so much of its charm. If clean paintings are difficult to sell, why are they made so clean? Yours faithfully, CHARLES BEARE,

J. & A. Beare Ltd., 7 Broadwick Street, W1. February 20.

Aid for charities

From Mr Christopher Chataway Sir, The "bonanza" for charities, to which you refer in your lead article of February 19, will not necessarily be a bonanza for all charities. The proposed tax in-centive scheme could, in fact, lose some charities millions of pounds. The scheme would unfairly hit those charities which already take full advantage of the existing incentive scheme - the deed of covenant.

Action Aid, for instance, which funds long-term development projects in the Third World, will receive nearly £3 million in tax relief on covenants in 1986. If the right to elaim tax relief was switched in the Budget to the donor, we should have to spend a great deal of time and money in persuading our supporters to in-crease their standing orders; and many of them would probably never get round the complexities of reclaiming tax. There would almost certainly be a serious reduction in the charity's income

this year. If a change is to be made - and of course I welcome any attempts by the Chancellor to help channes - it would be important to have a long transition period. From the viewpoint of many charities it would also be desirable to allow the present system of covenanting to continue to parallel with any new inceotives.

Yours faithfully CHRISTOPHER CHATAWAY, Honorary Treasurer, Action Aid, PO Box 69. 208 Upper Street, N1.

February 21. shop in Inverness does not open,

although it could. I recognise that the Scottish situation has evolved over a know that the Sunday in question period and that the Bill poses (the Scottish Sunday) has for years problems of immediate changes elsewhere in Britain. To par-"hijacked") by this Bill. The liamentarians from England and Wales, however, I suggest that the Scotland is not less religious or Scottish experience is worth some sabbatarian than England or

study. Yours faithfully CAMPBELL of CROY, Holme Rose. Nairnshire.

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ON THIS DAY

MARCH 4 1861

In June, 1860 Garibaldi captured Sicily and in September Naples, compelling Francis II, Bourbon King of the Two Sicilies to flee to Gaeta, where he made a final nsuccessful stand. The capture of the town was a decisive step towards the unification of Italy.

THE SIEGE OF GAËTA.

(From Our Own Corresponde MOLA DI GAETA, Feb. 22. The siege of Gaëta is rapidly being unmade...I do not believe any Eastern country ever presented more revolting scenes, more shocking sights than this last abandoned foul nest of Bourbon domination Carcases of dead horses are still ying in the main streets, where hey have evidently been suffered to rot for the last month or two. The state of the casemates, even n those which the enemy's fire could

nnt reach, and not excepting even that which harboured the "Grande infirtune noblement supportée," and the lovely "Heloïse von Gaëta." is such — such as no pen could or would describe; and it is difficult to conceive the danger the most arrant poltroon would not brave to escape from so horrible a hotbed of all corruption... Nothing could well be more remarkable than the behaviour of this poor, ignorant, and craven

population throughout. Inside the town, no less than in the Borgo, the tenant of the lowest but had in frequent instances to be driven from his home by main force. Nothing but the stick, or the menace of it, could conquer an apathy that seems grounded on the blindest fatalism. I have seen cottages along the sea, between the Piedmontese batteries and the town, where the wretched families have lived for months actually between two fires; the loss of some of their members did not cure the rest of that unconquerable apathy which lays all the burden even of self-preservation on Providence. At first Cialdini endeavoured to scare them away, for he appre-bended they harboured hostile intentions and stayed there as spies. But they were obviously too harmless and neutral a set for a second thought to be bestowed upon them...Imagine, then, the homes of at least 10,000 families turned inside

out, and all moving in one line and in one direction, loaded on carts, mules, asses, men's and women's backs, — wool and straw mattrasses, cheirs, boxes, band-boxes, pots and pans, household and kitchen furniture of every description swarming in nne confused mass, along the road. I saw a man, an old man, closing a procession of half-a-dozen lusty fellows, in all likelihood his sons of grandsons, all of them laden with the insides of their gutted cottage, all of them trusted wit conveyance of objects of the first necessity, the old man bringing up the rear with a huge crucifix, wrapped in white linen cloth, and so heavy as almost to hreak the bearer's bent back under its burden. The new Anchises had taken the household gods with him in his flight; be had no faith in their ability to protect themselves, let alone the dwelling which burnt incense or lit farthing lamps in their hunour. Alas! for the shady side of war! These poor wretche had heard that the siege was at an end; they laid hold of what each of them held dearest, and are all eager for their return - hnme! But where is their home? A man stopped us nn the road the day before yester day, and addressed the staff officer in my company, with whom be had struck up something like a speaking acquaintance, with a doleful look that said as plainly as possible, "What shall I do?" "Well, how is it. Felice?" said my companion. "Did you find much damage done at home?" "Nothing!" was the pithy answer, "I found nothing!" "Ah well, you had better luck than many of your neighbours, I'll warrant." "Nothing, I said," retorted the poor stricken hind, goaded out of his spiritless consternation by my friend's misconception of his meaning; "I tell you I found nothing! my house and home are

Hard to grasp From the Reverend M. P. R.

Linskill Sir, "Hard to grasp" packaging tries more than the old (Ms Peggy Pitt. February 21). Once I deemed the M**s Bar to be the man of action's last resource when simultaneously juggling with crisis and fighting off exhaustion; its great merit was consumability with one hand (the teeth, Sir,

would deal with the wrapper). Are my recent failures telling me it's time to retire, or the manufacturers to review their duty to a great British institution? Perhaps less vigorously yours, MARTIN LINSKILL. Librarian and Dean of Degrees. St Stephen's House, 16 Marston Street,

Oxford.

Lancashire.

Sir. Some thirty years ago, as a member of a BBC audience research team in Bradford, I asked a well-dressed and well-spoken gentleman for his profession - he told me he was a "glassologist". When I asked him to elucidate he broke into the broadest Yorkshire: "During th' week I'm a windercleaner, lad, at weekends I'm a glassologist"! Yours faithfully. LESLIE MORGAN. Ravendale, 28 St John's Road.

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Meaningful terms

From Mr Leslie Morgan Heysham. Morecambe.





COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
March 3: The Princess Anne.
Mrs Mark Phillips visited
Derhyshire today.
Having been received by Her
Majesty's LordLieutenant for
Derhyshire (Culonel Peter Hil-

ton) Her Royal Highness. President of the Save the Children Fund. opened the Fund's Shop in Chesterfield.

Afterwards The Princess

Anne. Mrs Mark Phillips, vis-ited the Midland Railway Trust Statiun at Ripley escorted by the President and Chairman of the Trust (Mrs K. Mew).
Her Royal Highness was later entertained to luncheon at likesion Park.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips. this afternoon visited Charnos Factory, Ilkeston in celebration of their Golden Jubilee and was received on arrival by the Chairman of the Directors IMr R. Noskwith! Her Royal Highness later opened the new Design Block at

Trent College 1Headmaster Mr A. Malthy) in Long Easton and unveiled two commemorative plaques.
Afterwards The Princess
Anne. Mrs Mark Phillips. vis-

ited Birkins Lace Factory. Borrowash and was received un arrival by the Managing Direc-tor IMr F. Attenborough!

Her Royal Highness, attended by the Hon Mrs Legge Bourke, travelled in an aircraft of The

Queen's Flight By command of The Qucen.

the Lord Brabazon of Tara (Lord in Waiting) called upon The President of the Republic of Sierra Leone at the Hyde Park Hotel this morning and, on behalf of Her Majesty, welcomed His Excellency on his arrival in this Country. CLARENCE HOUSE

March 3: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this afternoon visited the Daily Mail Ideal Home Exhibition at Earls Court. Lady Jean Rankin, Sir Alastair Aird and Captain James LowtherPinkerton were in attendance.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr F.R. Enock and Miss G.M. Crawford The engagement is announced between Roger, younger son of Mr and Mrs J.A.D. Enock, of

Exmouth, Devon, and Gillian, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Crawford. of Chew Magna, Mr J.M. Franklin and Miss H.A. Halsted

The engagement is announced between Jacob, son of Colin and

Charlotte Franklin, of Culham, Oxfordshire, and Hilary, daugh-ler of Dulcie Halsted and the late Victor Halsted, of London,

and Miss D.A. Galbraith The engagement is announced between John, youngest son of Mrs J.B. Smelt, of East Chinnock, Somerset, and Mr M.A.C. Smelt. of Castallack. Cornwall, and Deborah, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A.D. Galbraith, of Borland Cottages. Ayrshire.

ministration, Nasa, to help

Measurements of the effec-

tiveness of the treadmills and

bicycles used now show that

crews still suffer bone loss

Part of the research hy Dr

Donald Young, a physiologist at the Ames Research Centre

in California, and Dr Charles

Steele, an engineer at Stanford University Medical Centre,

has produced an instrument

for analysing changes in the bone structure. Measurements

are made hy pressing a small

probe nn the surface nf the

The device is also being

tested in the nrthnpaedic de-partment at Staufurd for moni-

toring the rate of repair of

skin nf an arm or leg.

astronauts tn retain the strength of their limbs in the

weightlessness of space.

during flights.

Mr Alan Sillitoe, 58; Professor H.N.V, Temperley, 71; Dame Albertine Winner, 79.

Mr J.R. Gibson Fleming and Miss F.L. Don

Birthdays today

Eysenck, 70: Miss Joan Green-

given by Sightline in aid of London's Blind at the Inter-

Continental Hotel, London.
Mrs Euan McCorquodale was

(The court circular above was

blished yesterday by mis-

The engagement is announced between James, son of the late Major W.H. Gibson Fleming and Mrs W.H. Gibson Fleming, of Ranston, Dorset, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.S. Don, of Elmham House, Nor-

Mr B.W.F. Shepherd and Miss P.A. Howell

The engagement is announced between Benjamin, eldest son of Mr Roland Shepherd, of Boxalands Farm, West Sussex, and Mrs Christina Fenwick-Smith, of Ingrams Green, Midhurst, and Peta, second daughter of Mr Gerald Howell. of Belchambers Farm. West Sussex, and Mrs Joanna Howell.

Marriage

New exercises are being fractures and fir detecting developed by the National diseases which result in the Aeronantics and Space Addeterioration of the bone or in

skeleton.

Mr A.C. Frost and Dr M.J. MacDougall The marriage took place be tween Mr Adrian Charles Frost and Dr Margaret Jane MacDougall on February 22 at St James's. Piccadilly.

Although hy adolescence an

individual's hanes have

stapped lengthening, the pro-

cess of growing continues. Cells within boue tissue are

constantly hreaking down and

reassembling the matrix of the

In conditions like osteoporo-

sis, the loss of bone is greater

than the replacement because of hormonal imbalances af-

fecting metabolism of the np-

Prolonged dialysis of pa-tients with kidney damage, and treatments with the type

of drugs used to prevent

rejection of transplanted nr-

gans are nther circumstances

in which a continuing watch is

needed on the mechanism of

Daily exercise stimulates the rehuilding. But studies of

propriate minerals.

bone replacement.

CHRISTIE'S WEEK IN VIEW

Wednesday S March at 10.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m., King

covering most aspects of Japanese applied art. The first sale

comprises items made exclusively for Japanese themselves:

day colourful kakiemon porcelain, enamels and ivories will

Clocks and Watches: Wednesday S March at 11 a.m.,

King Street: A 'Floating Turtle' clock, a Chinese wooden

clock, several skeleton clocks and a curious Art Nouveau

stranger items here. Otherwise there is a serious range of

Thursday 6 March at 10.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m., King

Street: An all-day sale which evokes the ancien regime of the

Czars. In a new combination for Christie's, 100 lots of icons

Icons, Russian Paintings and Works of Art:

are followed by Russian paintings - with some most

telephone Caroline Treffgarne on (01) 588 4424.

good group of regulators to end the sale.

item with a girl's arms pointing to the time, are some of the

chronometers, carriage, bracket and longcase clocks, with a

prints, screens, swords and sword-fittings. The following

be more familiar to western eyes. Lacquers include a fine

series of chests and there is a good range of netsuke.

A selection from our 16 sales in London this week.

Street: Over two days we are presenting over 800 lots

Fine Japanese Works of Art: Tnesday 4 and



Three heart transplant patients (from left), Mr Roy Freese, aged 42, of Shoreham-by-Sea. Mr Paddy Tizzard, aged 30, of Seaford, and Mr Ken Prior, aged 47, of Worthing, were among those who signed up yesterday in Covent Garden when registration opened for the eleventh London to Brighton Bike Ride on June 15 in aid of the British Heart Foundation (Photograph: John Voes).

public debate about architec-

ture Mr Ahrends will continue

to play an active role within his

practice, combining design with

education. His appointment will

be popular among architects and students.

Among the practice's best-known buildings are the Berke-ley Library at Trinity College, Dublin, the residential building

at Kehle College, Oxford, the Cummins Engine Factory in Scotland, and the new Sainsbury

upermarket in Canterbury. Mr Ahrends succeeds Profes

sor Newton Watson who has headed the school since 1969.

Other appointments include:

Sir Jeffrey Stirling, aged 51, chairman of P & O. to be special adviser on industrial and financial affairs to Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and

Mr John Whittingdale, aged 26, former special adviser to Mr

Leon Brittan at the Department

of Trade and Industry, has been appointed a special adviser at

The following to be members of the Royal Fine Art Commis-

The following to be members of

the Council for Licensed

CONVCYACCERS: Mr LA EVENE, Mrs M Fond, Miss Caroline Harthan, Mr P Kamry, Mr R Kong, Har Gir Kingsomil, Mr L Oddy, Mr R Staven, and Mr J Taylor.

of Brancaster, co-chairman of Arthur Guinness, 1975-78, left £249.803 net.

Other estates include (net, be-

Pershore £411.736 Hill, Mrs Eileen Smeeton, of

Poole £399,569 Hooper, Mr Henry Norris, of

person's forearm or Inwer leg. The bone vibrates in response,

but with a frequency that

depends on its strength, or

Special microelectronic de-

tectors attached to the probe

include a force transducer and

an accelerometer, which trans-

mit data to n microprocessor

that analyses the bone's resis-

bones that have been immohi-

injury that kept her from moving her shoulder for four

years. She had a 68 per cent

drop in that bone's stiffness

according to probe measure-

ments. A programme of reme-

dial therapy was planned or

lized in plaster casts.

probe.

attractive landscapes, particularly the view of the rural

sale come enamels, silver, fine porcelain and bronzes

British and Irish Traditionalist and Modernist

Paintings and Sculpture: Thursday 6 March at

2.30 p.m. and Friday 7 March at 10.30 a.m., King

Street: Interest in this field has increased so much that we

have divided the sales into two separate catalogues: the first

offering paintings with the tradioonal feel continuing from

techniques basically stemming from Europe, and including

1960s. There are over 400 lots in all, and viewing is strongly

for the first time a significant number from the 1950s and

Viewing: King Street: Weekdays 9 a.m.- 4.45 p.m.

the Victorian era - landscapes, flower-pieces and genre

subjects: the second covering the subject-matter and

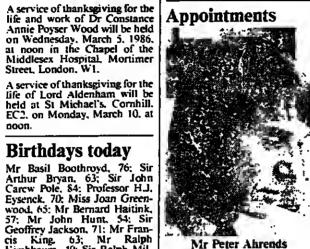
surroundings of Old Moscow by V.D. Polenov. Later in the

"how hard it is to bend".

fore tax paid!: Clay, Mrs Margaret Lev

the department.

Appointments



wood, 65: Mr Bernard Haitink, 57: Mr John Hunt, 54: Sir Geoffrey Jackson, 71: Mr Francis King, 63; Mr Ralph Kirshbaum, 40; Sir Ralph Milais, 81: Mr Patrick Moore, 63; Academic post for architect

Mr Peter Ahrends, partner of Ahrends, Burton and Koralek has been appointed professor of architecture at the Bartlett School of Architecture and Planning, University College London. He will take up the post

in October.

Mr Ahrends, aged 52, and his practice are responsible for a number of award-winning buildings and won the architect-developer competition for the extension to the National Gal-lery. Trafalgar Square, in 1982, which was later abandoned (our Architecture Correspondent

Latest wills Countess Pamela Moy, of Pulborough, West Sussex, left estate valued at £179.672 net. Mrs Nora Angela Stratten Watters, of Spital, Merseyside, left £125,775 net. After personal bequests of £4,000 and effects

he left the residue to the Mr Robert Arbuthoot McNeile, Purley....

activities in weightlessness

show that rate of rebuilding is

sinwer than on the ground. Dr

Steele says each step while

walking puts a load no the leg

bone of five times the body

weight. But if a person is in

weightlessness, or confined to bed, there is no load and,

consequently, little regrnwth.

He said the bone analyser

detected those changes earlier than nther methods using X-rays nr photon absorption.

because it directly tested the

strength of the bones. The

primary measurement was nf

the change in the stiffness of

Preliminary results with the

instrument are able to measure

S per cent changes in bone

structure, which should be adequate in judge the success

are the second of the second of dietary changes, exercise or drugs. The fingertip probe which vibrates is pressed against the skin nver a

including a good bust of Tolstoy.

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the bone.

Science report

Analyser detects changes in bones

The post is an influential one and comes at a time of widening Royal Over-Seas League The Marquess of Douro, MEP, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the discussion circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held at Over-Seas House last night. Captain William J. Law

Luncheon

Coal Industry Society
Mr J.A.V. Speigel, Chairman of the Chamber of Coal Traders and President of the Coal Merehants' Federation of Great Britain, was the principal guest speaker at a luncheon of the Coal Industry Society held at the Park Lane Hotel yesterday. He was introduced by Lord Ezra, and Mr Andrew Horsler was in

Wycombe Abbey School

Scholarship awards for 1986: Wycombe Abbey Open Scholarship: Laura Zatioukal (Beaudesert Park School, Munchinhampton)

St George's School, Ascot

The main 11-plus scholarship for 1986 has been awarded to Catherine Alison Moulds (Flexlands School, Chobham) and the junior mathematics scholarship has been awarded to Victoria Rachel Ottley (Flexlands School, Chobham).

Institute of **Physics**

The Council of the Institute of Physics has made the following awards for 1986:

awards for 1986:
Guibrie medal and prize: Str Denys Wilkinson, of Sussex University; Glazebrook medal and prize: Dr G Manning, of the Rutherford Applelon Laboratory, Oxfordshire; Brasp medal and prize: Mr W Llowarch, formerty of the London institute of Education; Duddell medal and prize: Dr Britishie, of the National Physical Laboratory, Teddington, 1982. Dr Ep Patterson medal and prize: Dr Ep Patterson medal and prize: Professor Asbury, of Victoria University; and Asbury, of Victoria University; Canada: Maxwell medal and prize: Dr Li Binney, of Oxford University: and the Holweck medal and graze: Professor CC Roberts, of the Thom EMI

Church news

tance to being shaken hy the Measurement of each limh takes less than n minute. Trials have included asessments of weakness of

mingham.

The Rev N T Moffart, Vicur. St John's. Dormansland. diocese of Southwark, to be Tearn Rector. Pedgate. diocese of Liverpool.

The Rev C Newton. resident, diocese of Winchester, to be Pritted incharge. Quary with Cathonie, diocese of Charge. Quary with Cathonie, diocese of the Charge.

The Rev H B Tesker, Vicar, Long Ashton, diocese of Bath and Weils, to be also Rural Dean of Portishead, same diocese.

The Rev H V Taskor, secretary, USPG, Tufton Street, Westminster, to be also an honorary canon of Briscol Cathedral, diocese of Bristol.

Other appointments
Mrs G Dallow, head of retigious
education, Coiston Girls Schoo, Brisioi, to be religious education adviser,
schools and parishes, diocese of Bath
and Wells.
Resignations and retiferments
The Rev R H Baker, Vicar, Berry
Pomeruy, Broadhempston, Woodland
and Liftlehempston, diocese of Exeter,
to reture of the Commond, Rector of
Burbose with Asion Flamville, diocese
of Leioseter, retired on Jan 1.
Canon V A Sheen, Vicar, St James,
Caphan Park, diocese of Southwark,
to retire on July 31.
Canon W Hiller Construction
Reministration Park to Southwark,
to retire on July 31.
Canon W Hiller Rector, West
Moniston, diocese of Bath and Wells,
to retire at the end of Septiember,
The Rev O G Gardner, Vicar,
Kington Langiey, and Rector, Dreycol
Cerre tin plurality) diocese of Bristol.
to retire in Octobers
Church of Scotland
Church Rev J Forsyth, from ContinBrighton.
The Rev 1 O Petrie, from East

lorgie. The Rev J T Lang. from glasgow, bringelon to Glasgow. St James's Bridgelon to Gassari.
(Polick).
The Rev B Lawrie to Ettrick with The Rev H F Watt to Glasgow. Retirements

The Rev J M Laing from Buchlyvie with Gartmore.

The Rev R R Brown from Perth, Kinnoull. The Rev A I Mackenzie from Glenelg with Glenshiel with Kintail. The Rev R J S Wallace from

The Rev R J S Wallace from Foverao.

Church lo Wales
The Rev Marparet Harrey, curate of Connains Ouav, to be adviser to the Bisnop of St. Assant on continuing ciercial education and an honorary assistant in the parish of Corwen and the deamery of Eccyrrison.

The Rev B Leison, curate, Pfirst, fo be control curate of Mirror of Cornog Carlos, and the control of the Cornog Carlos, and Carlo

Professor William Hayes, head of the Clarendon Laboratory at Oxford and Principal Bursar at St John's College, has been chosen as president of St John's with effect from July 31, 1987, and not this year as previously

OBITUARY

Sale room

buyers

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

The collection of Fulda porcelain formed hy Daniel Meinertzhagen and his wife was sold for £247,395 at

Christie's yesterday with every lot finding n buyer. It was a

one-off occasion, the best col-lection of Fulda outside West

The little town of Fulda,

its own porcelain factory from

1764 to 1789 under the patron-

BLOKE MODISANE Rare Fulda African writer and actor porcelain finds eager

J. A. M. writes:

Bloke Modisane, one of that Good Friday and The Blood team of African writers of the 1950s who created Drum mag-

suhnrb of Sophiatown, the "hlack spot" buildozed flat by government order in 1958 for being too close to white sub-urbs. When it went, Modisane left too, to seek his fortune

In his one room in Sophiatown, as one of the first hlack urban intellectuals, he had become host to innumerable searchers for the real Africa.

age of the local grandee, Prince Bishop Heinrich von Bibra. Celebrating the activi-ties of his court, it no doubt shebeens and shanty towns, people from Europe and America such as Sybil Thorndyke and Adlai Stevenenlarged his consequence. Both workmen and designs were frequently borrowed from son as well as South African whites, themselves wanting to The collection contained meet blacks on an equal set of charming little figures of the Prince Bishop's court mu-sicians, which sold for a total footing, and writers such as Nadine Gordimer and Athol Fugard.

of £33,696. The cheapest figure was the "Flantist" at £4,320 (estimate £2,000-

£3,000) and the top price paid was £5,616 (estimate £2,000-£4,000) for hoth the "DadeIpfeiffer" and the Bagpiper". The figures, which stand 15cm high, wear hats gaily embellished with ribbons and

flowers and were adapted from a Frankenthal model of a fruitseller. The creation of the series followed the dismissal Martin's Theatre. of the Prince Bishop's orches tra for reasons of economy and its subsequent reinstatement hy order of the town council.

The top price in the sale was the £32,400 (estimate £10,000-£20,000) paid by Robbig for a sporting group of huntsman and companion. Accompanied hy their dog, they stand beside the blasted trunk of a tree on which they have hung two dead birds. The group was adapted from an engraving of "Actumn", hy Johann Esaias Nilson, at the request of the

Prince Bishop.
The National Museum in Cnssel commissioned Ameling of Warzburg to buy the very rare figure of Scaramouche at £20,250 (estimate £10,000-£15,000) and the same dealer secured six ornithological cups and saucers on behalf of the little museum in Fulda at £8,856 (estimate £2,500-

£4,000). Christie's mixed property auction of Continental porce-Meinertzhagen cullection, proved popular with a total sale of £252,725 and 7 per cent left unsold.

A Sevres blen lapis jardiniere, decorated with a viguette of sailors loading barrels into their boat, provided a striking illustration of the recent climb in prices. Christie's sold it from the Earl of Sefton's collection in 1973 for £840 and again from an anonymous collection in 1982 for £5,184. Yesterday the same

Appointments
The Rev T R Boniwell, Chaptain

One woman had a shoulder

St John Will.

St John Will.

Same parish
The Rev R I Smith. Rector. Crook
and Vicar. Stanley in plurality.
docree of Durham, to be Vicar. St
Cuthbert's. Billingham, same diocese.
The Rev. B R Spence, Vicar. St
Mary's. East Grussead, diocese of
Crishestor, to be Vicar. St John the
Baptist. Crowthorne, diocese of Cx-

University news

Grants Science and Engineering Research Council C64 855 to Dr JP Weight for studies of propagation of short pulses of ultrasound in solds with application of the property of the solds with application of the solds with application of the sold of

Education and Research Fund-£80,000 to Professor S Haberman to support a research tellow for three

azine, has died in Dortmund at the age of 62.

William Modisane - his nickname. Bloke, was inspanned for his writings - lived in the Johannesburg Royal Court, and in many a radio and stage play.
When first discovered by Drum he was working in the. despatch department of Vanguard Bookshop, an intellec-lual centre of Johannesbuurg. He became a reporter, short

story writer, boxing corre-spondent and in Britain and

ued to interpret for the outside world, the life of his African

later in Germany, he turned playwright. Many of his works were produced by the BBC A highly social man, he took and by German radio.
behind the scenes, into the But away from Africa it was always very much exile. As he said in the opening of his autobiography. Blame Me On History. published in 1963.

Miss Beatrix Thomson who has died at the age of 85, was a leading actress on the West End stage in the 1920s and

She was engaged by Basil Dean on leaving the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art to take over the role of Mabel Dancy in Loyalties at the St

Following this both the West End and Broadway saw her in starring roles among which The Three Sisters in which she played Irena (oppo-site a youthful John Gielgud); The Idior, The Rivals, The Years Between and Lilies of the Field were perhaps the best

In 1926 she created the title role in The Constant Nymph on the New York stage and subsequently other leading

Back in London she was to be seen in The Bey at His Majesty's and in the stage version of G. B. Stern's The Mairiarch at the Royalty (in which she co-starred with Mrs Patrick Campbell). Her outstanding performance in her own play, Wooden Shoes, carned her a film contract to

ary 20, aged 88. piece secured £11,880.

Dinner Society of Conservative Lawyers Mr Kenneth Clarke, QC. MP. Mr Kenneth Clarke, QC, MP, was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Society of Conservative Lawyers held at the Savoy Hotel last night. Mr Nicholas Lyell, QC, MP, chairman, presided and a vote of thanks was given by the Hon Douglas Hogg, MP. Among those present were:

Sir Pairick Maynew, QC, MP, Sir Edward Gardner, QC, MP, Mr Richard Orlaway, MP, Mr Leotin Price, QC, Mr, John McDonnell, QC, Miss Emma Nicholson, Mr Alexander Hill-Smith and Mr James Levikin.

who died on February 28 at the age of 81, presided for many years over the Foreigh Books department of the Cambridge University Li-hrary and was an authority in the field of Spanish hihliogra-

> ary research in Spain and the Foreign Office during the war, until his retirement in While his professional work

> books printed between 1501 and 1520. And hy wise huying at a time when such books

He was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple in 1926, and from then until the outbreak of war, practised as a specialist in the Parliamentary chambers of Maurice Fitzger-ald, KC, rapidly becoming the leading junior of the Parlia-

mentary Bar.
After service in the war with
the RAFVR, he returned to lors did not look for possible

"Something in me died, a piece of me died, with the dying of Sophiatown". He is survived by his widow, ingeborg, and a son, and ugard. also hy a daughter from a first Modisane became an actor marriage in South Africa. MISS BEATRIX THOMSON In 1931 she entered a period of actress-management, in as-sociation with Helena Pickard at the Little Grafton Theatre.

Her roles during this period

were varied, ranging from

Granville-Barker to Ibsen, as

well as her own play Love for Sale. It was during the Second World War after volunteering for duty on aircraft production and, later, touring to entertain troops in the Far East, that she contracted the tropical disease that was so tragically to upset ber stage career.

Home again, she concentrated on her second love, writing, achieving produc-tions at several of London's fringe theatres in the 1940s and 1950s. She was to return to the live

stage in two productions of Peter Cotes, Arnold Bennett's
What the Public Wants at
Manchester in 1948 and in the
first West End revival of Rodney Ackland's The Old Ladies (Duchess) in 1969. .

Beauty Thomson's contribution to the pre-war movement to popularise thoughtful and unusual theatre, and the skill and charm of a unique personality, will not easily be forgotten by those with memplay Madame Dreyfus in one ories old enough to recall of the first British talking London's West End between the wars.

MR PAUL BEWSHEA

Mr Paul Bewshea, OBE, experimental trans-Atlantic MM, for many years the commercial flying-boat serrepresentative in New York of vices, the first of what was
Imperial Airways, and later of
BOAC, died there on Febrution with Pan-American Air-

Born in Beckenham, Kent, on January 12, 1898 he joined the Gordon Highlanders at the age of 17 in 1915, went 10 France, was wounded twice, serinusly gassed, won the MM and was demohilized on his 21st birthday.

He then conducted tours of the battlefields before joining the Daimler Airway and then

Imperial Airways.

He worked in the traffic department of Imperial Airways at Croydon, before being posted to New York in 1929. at a time when plans for North Atlantic air services were still gleam in the eye. Later, as the company's

commercial manager, he orga-nized the American end of the

Mr Frederick John Norton.

phy.

Educated at Alleyn's School
and Pembroke College, Cambridge, where he read modern languages, in 1930 after litersome school teaching, he joined the staff of Cambridge University Library, where he was to remain, with a hreak at

was among mainly modern books his own interest turned to older material, especially to were within the means of ordinary men he eventually

MR HAROLD WILLIS, QC

Mr Harold Willis, QC, died on February 12, aged 83. The ynunger son of Sir Frederick Willis, a distin-guished civil servant, he went from Berkhamsted School to New College, Oxford, winning an athletics blue for the long

his practice, took silk in 1952, and became Leader of the Parliamentary Bar. He be- Antiques Overseas came a Bencher of his Inn in 1948 and Treasurer in 1969. In those days Lord Chancel-

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commercial manager, he was at one time closely concerned with the acquisition by the British government of the three Boeing flying boats which maintained trans-Atlantic air links throughout the Later he organized the New

York end of BOAC's North Atlantic commercial land plane services, operated from 1946 with Lockheed Constellations.

During the war, as BOAC's

Throughout his 57 years in New York, he was highly regarded for his quiet and courteous wisdom, together with his readiness to smooth the way for many visitors by air from Britain.

MR F. J. NORTON

built up a quite remarkable collection. His Italian Printers, 1501-

1520 (1958) and his Printing in Spain, 1501-1520 (1966) hrought him an authoritaive reputation on which the publication in 1978 of his Descriptive Catalogue of surviving Spanish and Portnguese books, 1501-20 set the final seal.

This achievement was recongnised by Spain with the Grand Cross of the Order of Alfonso X, the Wise.

He also published in col-laboration with Professor L.

C. Harmer, a successful Manual of Modern Spanish. Norton was a bachelor, a silent man and ill al case in company. He was however an amhilious traveller (though he never learned how to pack a suitcase) and he exibited nn foreign soil and in foreign tongues a confidence which he altogether lacked at home.

recruits to the Bench towards those who in the main practised before the committees of both Houses; otherwise a man of such exceptional qualities must surely have been invited to become a judge. He married in 1943 Eileen

Murray, who predeceased him by two days.

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question

Mazimba (Channel 4) was a profile of — effectively an advertisement for — the Solomon Mahlangu Freedom College in Tanzania, to which young South African exiles go to be educated when police harassment drives them from the townshins.

It started with a bland montage — it could have been lifted straight from the pages of an in-flight magazine showing infants playing happily together on climbing-frames and students beavering away in a chemistry class. At any moment one expected "I'd like to teach the world to sing to burst forth, for that was the

sort of advertisement this was, soft-centred and sentimental.

To disguise its partiality, we were given a great deal of so-called bard information about day-care facilities, creches and the achievement of carving a community out of the East African wilderness. This need to itemize is a common failing of those in a revolutionary situation, but the film-makers (South Africans living in Brit-ain) should surely bave re-membered that the western intelligence, sapped by long exposure to soops, serials and commercials, has a low bore dom threshold.

Sandwiching the facts were interviews but these, rather than rescue the situation, worseved it. Students describing their harrowing experiences in South Africa all spoke a sort of fiberation newspeak which gave off a disturbingly strong whist of indoctrination, while the teachers spoke in a tone of embarrassing self-

This was bad advertising Somebody, somewhere along the line, seems to have forgot to probe and question. For instance, how seriously were we to take the claim that the school was producing a new South African for a new South Africa? And what did the film-makers think? Obvious questions, and not even particularly radical, but no one asked them.

The trouble with a put-up job like this is that one ends by throwing out the baby with the bathwater and dismissing everything. Honest and truthful content becomes stigmatized by association and the film fails in its purpose, which is communication with the unconverted. There is an argu-ment that organizations like the ANC should not be critithe cause, programme-makers should never forsake their

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Carlo Gébler to have simultaneously engi-

I vespri siciliani

Bologna

Teatro Communale,

No mature Verdi opera is in greater need of the whole-

hearted skill and confidence of

its interpreters than I vespri siciliani, and nowbere is its

rehabilitation more desirable

than in Italy itself. The banal-

ity of Scribe's libretto, and

Verdi's less than successful

attempt to marry his musical

inspiration to French operatic conventions of the 1850s, have generally been held as insuperable obstacles. The

new Bologna production,

which marks the debut of

Riccardo Chailly as music director of the Teatro Com-

Chailty, with the help of the

producer-designer team of Luca Ronconi and Pasquale

thirsty Romanticism, less

munale, challenges all that.

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Without England's complexion

The British Face Colnaghi

Scottie Wilson Mayor/Gillian Jason/ Third Eye Centre,

Glasgow

The British Face? Is there, or was there ever, such a thing? No doubt it is more likely that something distinguishable as such existed during the period covered by the sbow called **The British Face**, at Colnaghi until March 29. But even between 1625 and 1850 the British were as motiey and mongrel a crew as any in Europe, even though the successive waves of new arrivals had for the moment caimed down. All the same, the show as a wbole is redolent of a quality which one can only call ... not even really British (despite the presence of a number of Scots and Irisb and quite possibly Welsh), but English. And it cannot even be entirely a result of the Englishness of English art, since so many of the painters represented

Lely, Kneller, Trevisani, Mercier, Soldi, Batoni, Kauffmann, Rigaud, Danloux - were not in fact British at all, but merely worked at some stage in Britain or specialized in painting the British abroad.

No, if there is indeed a consistency, it must be a consistency in the thing painted. Maybe not all the portraits included are totally accurate renderings of their subjects, warts and all. But standards of beauty change, and are in any event rather local. The purposes of portraiture change too, and few

before the nineteenth century seem to have cared too much whether they looked handsome or pretty. but rather whether their rank and riches and general importance were properly indicated. And certainly few of those commissioning portraits appear to have demanded anything too fancy or fanciful; a straightforward, reasonably recognizable picture, with maybe a touch of the locality discreetly indicated in the background, would do very nicely. Thus we are able to feel unexpectedly close to these people - even while we are

wondering whether all the young

women in the seventeenth century really had almond-shaped faces and improbably widely-spaced, brown-button eyes. The other surprise is that our sense of closeness is constantly enhanced by the feeling that, for all the waves of differing colour which have recently been lapping our shores, you could still go out on any street and see people who looked just like this. The fresh, pink-and-white colouring (heightened by convention to a drunkard's rubicundity for children), the sometimes oddly lumpy features, with a heavy Hanoverian jaw, the sharp, questioning gaze (not a trustful race at all, one would say). the mobile mouth which may turn upwards into a boyisb grin or downwards in hanging-judge sever-ity — all of these can still be seen all round, and certainly on every British stage or screen. Actually, a number of National Theatre play-

ers seem to be here already,

wearing a light period disguise. Often the most striking individfair idea. ual portraits are by the admittedly lesser painters: Nathaniel Dance's

Thomas Assheron-Smith Esa. for instance, with its humour and vulnerability, or Tilly Kettle's faintly effete Portrait of a Gentleman, or Mason Chamberlain's George, 21st Earl of Crawford with Two of his Sons, where the characters of all three leap at you off the canvas. Nor are the big names lacking there are a splendidly unflattering pair of Lawrences, of Sir Robert Wigram and bis wife, and enough Romneys to make one wonder bow he will stand up to the big retrospective which must now surely be inevitable.

From mainline British art to almost as bonoured British eccentricity. Scottie Wilson was a naive artist and sometimes, in his haunted quality, close to being that other kind of revered outsider, the lunatic artist. During his own tifetime he was much discovered almost as enthusiastically as Alfred Wallis - and had at least one book devoted to bim (Mervyn Levy's) which strongly emphasized the Surrealist connection and perhaps portrayed him as more knowing than be was. Or perhaps not, it is difficult to tell from the work. The appearance of a new book about him, It's All Writ Out for You: The Life and Work of Scottie Wilson, by George Melly (Thames and Hud-son, £12.50), has encouraged no fewer than three shows, the most comprehensive being that at the Third Eye Centre in Glasgow (until March 22), but those in London at the Mayor Gallery until March 14 and at Gillian Jason until March 15 will certainly be enough for any newcomer to Wilson's work to get a

For it is, when you come down to it, all much the same. George Melly





Faces recognizably with us still? - the bumour and vulnerability of Dance's Thomas Assheton-Smith Esq. and Romney's Anne Verelst, making us wonder how he will stand up to a major retrospective (details) (as opposed to psychotic) in that it

ives us ample detail on Wilson's background, which was, to say the least of it, varied: born in Whitechapel of Russian Jewish immigrants, he was brought up in Glasgow, thrown into employment as a child with no conventional schooling, and was later in the army in India and South Africa and on the Western Front. Later still he lived for a while in Canada. running a general store in Toronto. And it seems to have been around this time that he started to draw. His qualification as a naïve artist was double: he had never had any art training or gallery experience at all, and he had never learnt bow to

read and write. The work is virtually unique in true naive art

demanded, his loudish, solid

sound bringing out the cele-

bratory resonances of the

home key. His technique, too

served him well, particularly

in the tricky finale, while his

sense of harmonic line - for

example in the Trio section of the Scherzo — always re-mained strong. Only in the slow movement did one feel

the need for something more

intense than he was able to

Yet both here and in the C

minor Sonata, Op 10 No 1,

was little hint of frivolity.

Perhaps in the finale of the E

Op 81a, "Les Adieux", howev-

well acquainted with the com-

does not attempt to render, however inadequately, external reality, but resolves itself entirely into decoranve patterns, slightly suggestive of the decorations in gypsy caravans or on traditional canal

barges.

Mr Melly, expert as he is on the later generations of (often very commercial) naive artists, cannot throw very much light on the deeper sources of Wilson's inspiration, or indeed perhaps convince us that there is any deeper source, despite the admiration of Dubuffet and Andre Breton. A lot of the drawings and paintings - they are mainly in strongly drawn black outlines, filled in with colour like a

children's colouring book - suggest genuine folk-art, from a wide variety of sources, including American Indian totem beads he apparently saw while in Canada. Most of it is very bright and cheerful, but at times the demons evidently come and get him, and menace is always likely to peer out from behind the blandest decorations and poke a satanic tongue at us.

Taken one by one, the pieces are very interesting, quite often for essentially non-artistic reasons, and very easy to take. Collectively one may find that quite a little goes

John Russell Taylor

Theatre

Champion disintegration

The Boxer Benny Lynch

Tron, Glasgow

people remember Lynch the legend and many Lynch the man. It is the gap between the two (and its significance for him and his people) that emerges in Peter Amott's play about the boxer who literally fought his way out of the Gorbals to become flyweight champion of the world and the city's hero in 1935 - only to die an alcoholic back on the

and psychological - that seem

neered both his rise and his

The picture of Lynch is drawn not so much psychologically from inside, but from outside; each scene a new Benny Lynch's is a story close round, showing him facing one of the key issues or many ways. Most Glasgow in moments in his life. So, as people remember Lynch the legend and many Lynch the man. It is the gap between the weaves more general themes, each from several angles particularly alcobolism, and hero-worship as a sell-out, personally for the hero, politi-

cally for the public.
In United Artists Scotland's production Lloyd Quinan's direction manages the episodic structure defily, neatly linking the scenes but keeping streets a few years later. In 12 short, tight scenes them bright, taut and low-key to make the most of Arnous to make the most of Arnous to deline to through Lynch's life, outlining ability swiftly to delineate the forces - social, political characters and launch them characters and launch them into witty, crisp and entirely

believable dialogue.

A terse, understated relationship is worked up between Lynch and his trainer, Sammy Wilson (played by Jake d'Arcy with resigned sternness), and, while sadly telling bumour surrounds Lynch's first meet ing with the cocktail set and his Greena Green wedding (Robert Carr playing a won-derfully pragmatic "preacher" amongst other parts), his wife's account of leaving the lost, alcoholic Benny is unsen-

Here the tragedy of Lynch's disintegration does not dimin-ish his real stature. Leonard O'Malley takes him from the witty, resilient chancer to a man trapped in the gap be-tween bimself and his image, aware of somehow being conned — his final throwaway question drawing out the rele vance of Arnott's play.

timental, direct and moving.

Sarah Hemming

Concerts exuberance that the com-poser's fertile fount of ideas BBCSO/Davis

Festival Hall/ Radio 3

Just like Halley's Comet, with which it seems to feel a certain affinity, Tippen's The Mask of Time has come back. The return of his latest magnum opus, after its Boston première in April 1984 and its London Proms debut three months later, has, predictably, been lit by much celebration and many words. A full day of events - open rehearsal, films, discussions, interview - preceded its climactic third presentation on Sunday.

Words, from Shelley to Yeats, from Eliot to Akhmatova, are the generating system of this massive 10-part pageant for voices and instruments. They must, though, be eaten up by the music, insists Tippett; and, as they work their way deeper into perform-ers and listeners, the process of assimilation certainly in-

Sunday's performance revealed a new confidence, a new fluency and flexibility. Andrew Davis conducted the BBC Symphony Orchestra, Chorus and Singers as be did at the Proms: their responses were mercurial and passionate. Those of the soloists, Faye Robinson and John Cheek, already familiar with the work, and Sarah Walker and Robert Tear, were equally remarkable in meeting Tippett's ecstatic vocal writing with quick and deep understanding.

The sureness of Tippett's masterstrokes was surer still: the burning brass mirage of sun-rays, the exquisite ritual dance of flutes, harp and pitched percussion in the Paradise Garden", the perfect fusion of idea and imaginative realization in "Hiro-shima" and the instrumental preludes of "Whitening Light". But, even if the words were ever adequately digested (and of that I remain uncon-vinced), what nourishment is

provided in the end? The fact that there is so little satisfying musical progress or development may not be en-tirely disconnected from the fact that this Mask makes little place in its cerebral scheme of life for the regenerative power of love, human or divine. This, as the poet Andrew Marvell knew in addressing his Coy Mistress, was the way of not only toying and dallying with Time but playing it at its own

Hilary Finch

Bruno Leonardo Gelber Wigmore Hall

It is still an ambitious pianist who elects to devote his entire recital to Beethoven sonatas. But Bruno Leonardo Gelber is a positive player, equipped with abundant intellect and the sensitivity to render with sometimes startling clarity the moods as well as the formal designs of this composer. He does it too with a personality that goes hand-in-hand with the music rather than overwhelms it.

His choice, perhaps wisely for a player still comparatively young even though enormous-ly experienced veered towards the earlier sonatas, none more successful than the Andrew Clark earliest, the C major, Op 2 No
3. Gelber here showed all the

Camden Festival

Apartment House *1776* Diorama

So there I was, staring down from the second floor of its grey circling corridors into the hollow octagon of the Diora-ma near Regent's Park, hear-ing the turbid mix of sounds slosbing about below, when all of a sudden a light goes on across the melting pot, and a girl in vivid orange leans out from her window to sing, as I am leaning out from mine to listen to the strong, clear there was a certain improvisa-tory quality which aided the atmostphere of youthful vital-ity. At the same time in the later work Gelber played deep into the note, ensuring there outlines of the Dutch folksong she flings out. It was a moment of musical communication, a scrap of intense colour leaping out of the mangled musical Plasticine: the kind of thing that is inclined to happen when one flat Sonata, Op 31 No 3, the

goes along to one of these Cage force of his playing was just a little too unrelenting, but he captured well the slightly elu-sive quality of the first move-I had met a colleague leaving as I arrived, and asked him how the performance was ment. There could be few going "Ob, you know bow Cage is." And so I do: instantqualms about bis magisterial reading of the latest work in ly there was the image of his programme, the definitiverecordings burbling forth, of instrumentalists solemnly playing the music of no-mind, ly middle-period E flat Sonata. er, for its tempestuous moods of sadness, despair and then unbridled joy were conveyed in a style whose very aggresof a litter of cigarette ends, white plastic beakers and unfinished guacamole, of an audience beached on cushions sion spoke of a man spiritually and of babes in Osh Kosh dungarees and Peruvian knit-Stephen Pettitt wear being dandled in the air of alternative culture.

It does not matter very much whether the "work" is HPSCHD, as it was at the Proms a decade ago, or Roaratorio, as it was in Islington three years back, or Apart-ment House 1776, as it was on this occasion (though for the record I should note that Apartment House was commissioned for the American Bicentennial, and that it is a monument to immigration: indigenous American, African and European music is beard from tapes, supplied here by the British Sound Archive, while the players — we bad Circle conducted by Gregory Rose - offer strange dismantled versions of hymns and

marches from 1776). Why then does one keep going? It is for surprises like the one I described, and conversely for a comforting familiarity. One knows how age is. Dick Witts, responsible for music at the Camden Festival, cheerfully excused a late change in the venue as "somehow appropriate" for Cage, which suggests the awe-some scale of the man's

A Beethovenian happening in one's life would have to be something special; a Schumannesque circumstance is barely imaginable. But just by making a hash of things one enters into the spirit of Cage.

achievement

Paul Griffiths

than the work of his early career. Chailly has in recent years been quietly establishing his Verdi credentials around Europe: he brings to Vespri his gift for fine-limbed musical drama, a sense of proportion and ear for lyrical detail, but above all the ability to pump the adrenalin of his orchestra and soloists. It was this air of excitement, of large-scale Ver-dian drama fleshed out with highly-exposed opportunities for vocal prowess, that gave Vespri such an unexpected air of distinction. Chailly's incisive command Susan Dunn, measuring up superbly to Elena on her Italian

début, with the solemn Bonaldo Giaotti as Procida

was evident from the start, the orchestral attack in the overture highlighting the contrasts of bric and bombast in Verdi's melodies. In the arias, the vocal lines were linked with deft instrumental strokes; the shaping of the two great duets in Acts III and IV was a source

Grossi and a well-chosen cast, brings Vespri to life as an example of Verdi's bloodideas of the grand Even the paltry musical ideas of the grand ensembles, majestically dominated by the thirsty Romanucism, beautiful perhaps than its American soprano contemporaries in the Verdi Dunn, appeared transformed though not even Chailly

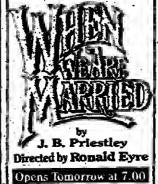
crudity of invention in Verdi's staccato part-writing. Taken as a whole, however, the wells of Verdi's native Italian inspiration are — on this evidence — nearer the surface in Vespri than its reputation has sometimes allowed.

Miss Dunn was making her Italian debut at Chailly's invi-tation. Elena is one of the most difficult of Verdi's soprano parts to cast, requiring a true dramatic soprano d' agilità. It is no exaggeration to say that the young American matched its demands superbly. The voice has a fresh, pearllike timbre, it is well supported and has an all-

could hide the occasional round evenness; the articula tion of the coloratura flights was immaculate. Miss Dunn holds the stage well in the stand-and-deliver tradition, moving her ample figure with grace and economy. After an unsteady start, Veriano Luchetti quickly im-

proved and gave a properly burnished account of Arrigo's "Giorno di panto". Leo Nucci looked equally appropriate as Monforte though the part needs a voice of greater natural strength and individuality. Bonaldo Giaotti as Procida was no more than adequate: the bass wobble was all too evident and his solemn cloak and fez made him look more like a North African Fiesco than an aged revolutionary. It was difficult to judge

whether stage director or designer had the greater influence on the production.
Ronconi was at his stylish and Bill Fraser James Grout supportive best, using the stage as a spacious platform for lyrical drama and resisting Patricia Hayes Brian Murphy Patricia Routledge the temptation to dress Vespri Patsy Rowlands in any other than the clothes Pruuella Scales Verdi intended. Elizabeth Spriggs The setting was medieval and Mediterranean, with a **Timothy West**



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warm outdoor atmosphere imparted to every scene through Grossi's glowing backdrops and verdant Sicilian foliage. In itself this was an example of a very Italian kind of stage artistry, but it was perfectly complemented by a set of sumptuous curtaindrapes, dimly decorated with medieval figures which allowed Ronconi to frame and partition the stage as he wanted: a very simple idea. but one that brought continuity, intimacy and a sense of OWhitehall Theatre, SWI

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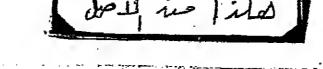
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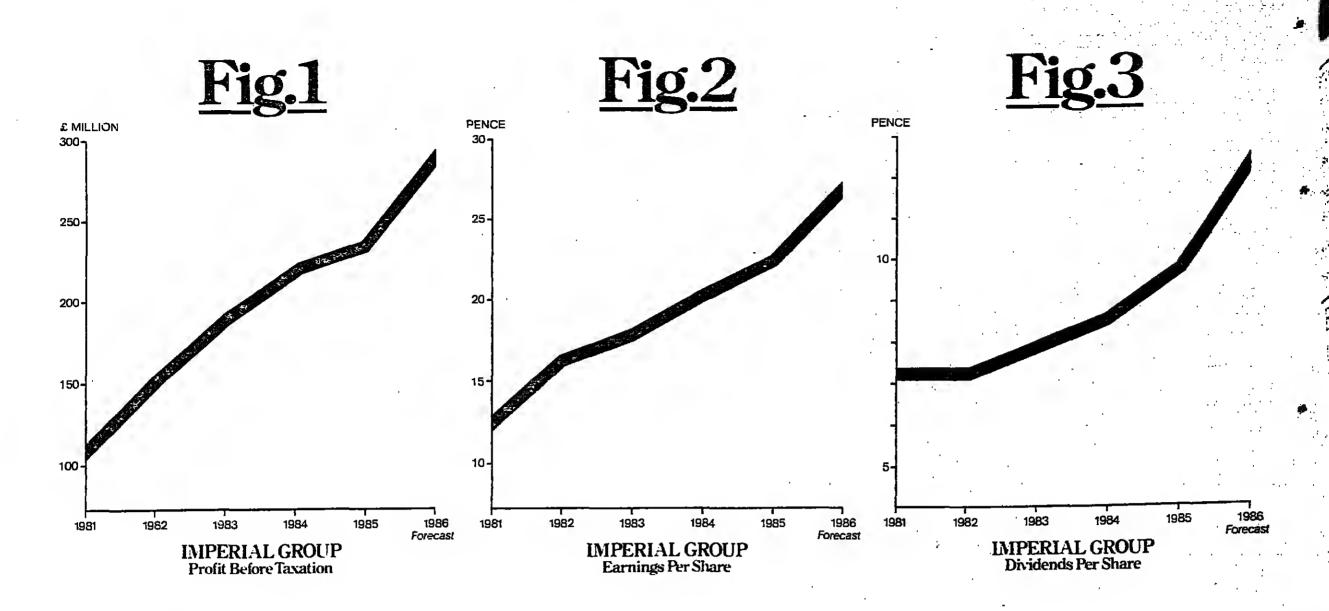
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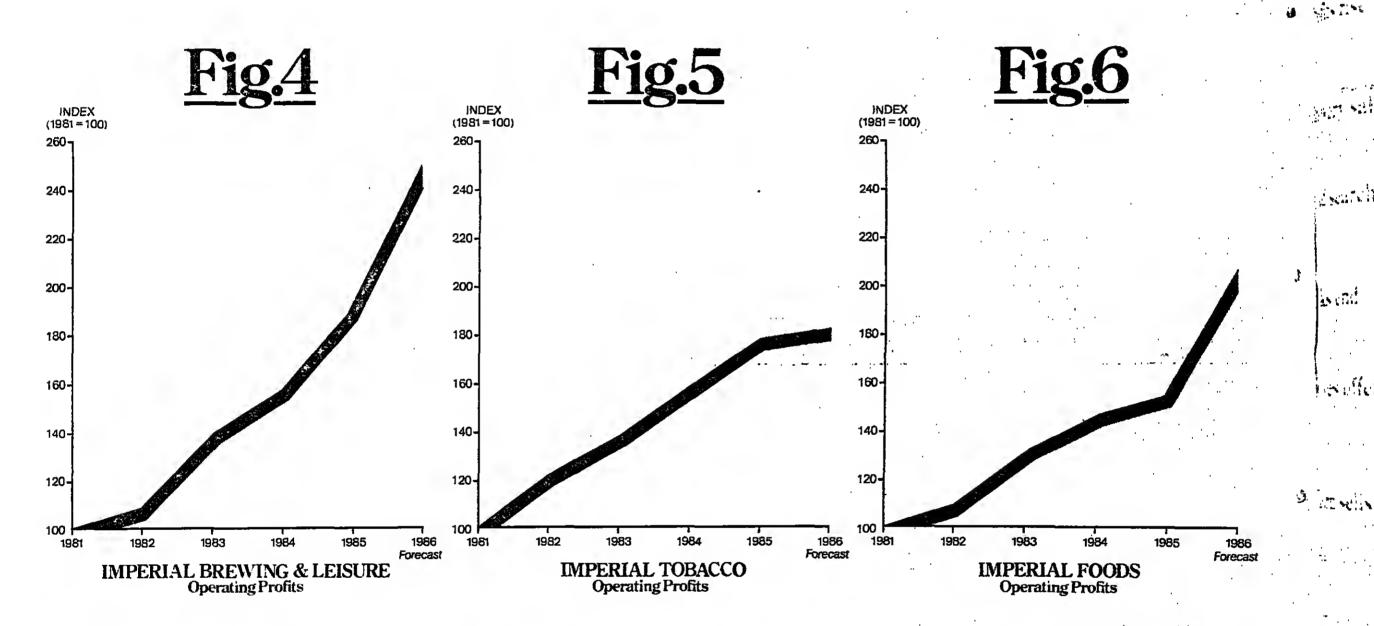
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Bid goes to court

The Rank Organisation is taking the Independent Broadcasting Authority to court for blocking its £740 million takeover bid for Gra-

Having asked, but receiving no "satisfactory response" as to why it was not being allowed to acquire the Granada television franchise, Rank said it would now seek a judicialreviewtoascertainifthe IBA was satisfactorily carrying out its duties under the 1981 Broadcasting Act.

The IBA had ruled that Rank could not exercise control of more than 5 per cent of the voting shares in Granada without its permission -which it refused to give.

Profits rise

British Vita yesterday reported a 17 per cent rise in pretax profits to £12.2 million and is lifting the total divi-dend from 6.2p to 7p a share. Tempus, page 19

Brewery sale

Grand Metropolitan is sell-ing its 78 per cent stake in Stern, the German brewery, to a private consortium for £14 million.

Gold search

Two Canadian companies are to begin drilling in the Loch Tay region, Highlands, in April, hoping to coofirm at least one commercial gold

Talks end

Home Charm has ended discussions which it had said might lead to offers for its entire issued share capital and convertible loan stock.

St Ives offer

St Ives, which has made its offer for the ordinary shares of Richard Clay unconditional, has made a recommended offer of 85p per share plus accrued dividend for Clay's 4.2 per cent preference shares.

Thorn sells

Thorn EMI has sold Teg Techoischer Elektro Grosshandel, a West German Elektro electrical wholesaling busi-ness, for £6.1 million cash. Thorn EMI Television Rentals has declared unconditional its offer for the 6 per cent preference shares in Radio Rentals (Holdiogs) after receiving acceptances for 90.56 per cent of the shares.

\$700m bid

Electrolux has made a cash offer to acquire all the oustanding common stock of White Consolidated lodus-tries for \$45 per share, which values the US company at just over \$700 million (£488 mil-

Hotel plan

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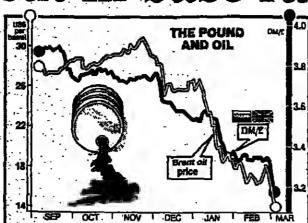
Economics Correspondent

A very weak pound fell to a new all-time low against the mark yesterday. Although sterling steadled in afternoon trading share prices fell on fears that the expected base rate out around the time of the Budget will not now take

The FT 30-share index dropped by 10.3 points to 1267.1. Government stocks. initially down by more than half a point showed modest losses of around 1/2 points 21 the close, helped by the strength of the US bond

Oil was the main factor hilling the pound. The price of Brent crude oil for delivery next month fell by 45 cents to \$13.25 a barrel. The sterling index, down by a point at one stage closed 0.7 down at 72.5. its lowest for a year.

The pound fell by 3.6 pfennigs to DM3.1968, below the important DM3.20 level. Technical analysts say the next importantsupport for the pound is DM3.00. Against the dollar, the pound closed 1.17 cents down at



Money market interest rates closed up to 4 points higher. in response to the pound's fall. Mr Mark Brett, currency econ-omist at the stockbroking firm of de Zoeie & Bevan, said: There is no good reason for justifying a cut in base rates in current circumstances.

.The pound's fall was limited by market suggestions that a round of international interest rate cuts, led by West Germa-ny and Japan, is on the way. This also helped to stabilize The council of the West German Bundesbank meets on Thursday for its fortnightly meeting and could sanction a

reduction in official interest

Provisional cost of living figures for February, pub-lished yesterday, showed inflationary pressures at a very low

rates, dealers believe.

The cost of living index fell by 0.2 per cent in last month. to stand just 0.7 per cent up on a year earlier. Hopes of a cut in German rates also pushed

the Netherlands.

Foreign exchange dealers are also wary of new official action to steady the dollar. A number of international meetings are to take place in the next few weeks at which recent sharp exchange rate changes will be discussed.

The Group of Ten industri alized countries are 10 meet on March 13-14. The G10 "deputies" meet partly to prepare the ground for the meeting of the interim committee of the International Monetary Fund early in April. This will be followed by the

ministerial meeting of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development in Paris on April 17-18, at which Japan appears determined to prepare the ground for a co-ordinated interest rate cutting strategy. 10 be rubberstamped at the world economic summit in Tokyo early in

Dealers believe that any of these meetings could provide the forum at which a coordinated attempt to steady the present highly volatile currency markets could be unveiled.

ITC stocks 'could be sold in a year' if tin price falls

April launch for

Mercury Group

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

The date has at last been set Group will also include the

By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent

A sharp fall in tin prices could so restrict mine production as to allow TinCo, the company which, it is hoped, will take over the internation-al Tin Council's obligations, to dispose of its stocks in a creditors.

Mr Ralph Kestenbaum, a tonne, more than 60 per cent of the Western world's tin production of 174,000 tonnes a year would be uneconomic.

BHP 'set

to make

Aus\$1bn'

Broken Hill Proprietary has

released figures showing it

expects to earn Aus\$1.03 bil-

lion (£481 million) in the year

to May 31. The announcement is BHP's latest defensive

effort against Mr Robert Holmes à Court's partial take-

The Australian Govern-

ment has decided against

launching an investigation into the Aus\$3.5 billion bid.

An inquiry, advocated by some government officials

and unions, would have

stalled Mr Holmes à Court's

BHP said it decided to release the profit forecast be-

cause of uncertainty and mar-

ket instability caused by both

the Holmes a Court bid and

slumping oil prices.

BHP, which had a record profit of Aus\$774 million in fiscal 1985 said the prediction of Aus\$1.03 billion for this year is Aus\$60 million less than earlier forecasts because

of a government decision to

cut controlled domestic crude

For fiscal 1987, it said, the

lower oil prices should bring a profit decline to Aus\$980

million.

A government spokesman said a committee of ministers

would discuss the future of the Australian steel industry

Bell Resources, Mr Holmes

à Court's company, is offering Aus\$7.70 a share for 50 per cent of each shareholder's

stake in BHP. It is also

offering an alternative of one Bell Resources share plus Aus\$2.50 for each BHP share.

BHP shares closed at Aus\$6.50 each on the Sydney

Stock Exchange yesterday, up 6 cents from Friday. Bell

Resources closed at Aus\$4.40,

down 5 cents from Friday.

bid indefinitely.

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over bid.

tonnes of obligations which, it is proposed, should be sold in three years.

His memorandum went on: Thus the Newco (now called year, a leading metal broker TioCo) stockpile would theo-has advised the ITC's bank retically be required for conretically be required for con-sumption at the rate of 70.000 tonnes per annum at a price of managing director of Gerald £6,000 a tonne and would thus Merals and one of the authors be disposed of in 15 mooths; of the TinCo plan, told the at a price of £5,500 per tonne, banks that at a price of £5,500 the stock would be consumed in nine months."

But this view has been

for the formation of one of Britain's largest financial con-

It was annnounced yester-

day that Mercury Internation-

al Group will probably be formed on April 12 – although no final decision has yet been

The group will be the result

of the merger of Mercury Securities, Akroyd & Smithers, Rowe & Pitman and

Mullens and Co. The new

securities operation, headed by Mr Peter Wilmot-Sitwell and Mr Brian Peppiatt, will be

known as Warburg Securities.
Although the different com-ponents of Warburg Securities

are legally allowed to merge at

Mercury International Smithers.

Broadside by Haslemere

By Lawrence Lever

the Dutch property developer, announcement, from 628p to moved up a gear yesterday 621p. The calculation of net with the issue of Haslemere's assets reflects the inclusion of formal defence document. In trading and development

this. Mr David Pickford, properties at valuation rather

Haslemere's chairman, described the bid as "wholly unrealistic "and claimed that "fallacious" Rodamco's argument that its 600p cash offer

Haslemere and its arguments was geoerous in the light of the

for accepting the bid were contingeot tax liability that misguided and ill-informed". would be payable on disposal

The moch-awaited revalua- of its portfolio. He said that

tion of Haslemere's property this had been taken into

lynchpin of its defence - stock but not for other propestablishes a net asset value of erties within the company,

the value that market experts their disposal.

The £179 million bid for had expected. Haslemere's Haslemere from Rodamco, shares fell back slightly on the

taken.

TinCo will acquire from the council more than 82,000 that supply and demand are barely balanced despite 55,000 tonnes of aonual production being kept off the market by ITC export cootrols, that removal of these cootrols will tempt mices to produce at maximum capacity, and that companies may decide to operate with lower stocks

The pessimists argue that a great deal will depend on currency factors. If the Southeast Asian currencies depreciare against the pound, the higher local currency prices in producing couotries would inchallenged as optimistic by duce mines to produce as other experts. They point out much as possible, they say.

merchant bank, S G Warburg,

chaired by Lord Roll and Mr

which will continue to b

David Scholey. The third arm of MIG, Mercury Asset Man-

agement, will be the invest-ment management division. At the same time, Mercary announced that it was buying a

50 per cent interest in Potter Partners & Co, an Australian

stockbroking and equity un-

Mercury is paying Aus\$8 million initially for its stake and up to a further Aus\$12

millico after the first year,

Mercary to distribute Austra-

lian equities domestically within Australia. The staff in

than book costs.

Mr Pickford described as
"fallacious" Rodamco's argu-

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Consumer oil 'price drop soon'

Mr John McKinley, said yesterday that fuel prices to the consumer will soon drop to reflect the low world crude oil prices, but gave warning that the fall will not be as dramatic as that in the spot oil markets.

Mr McKinley said that the gap between prices paid for oil at the refinery and prices now being quoted on the world spot markets meant that consumers are not receiving the price cuts they feel are due. He said that prices for consumers will shortly "directionally re-flect real crude prices".



John McKinley: expects fall soon

Last year Texaco supplied 6 per cent of the world's oil and its output of natural gas in the United States equalled the iotal for the North Sea. The company is one of the biggest operating in the North Sea. Its petrol stations take more than 10 per cent of the British petrol market, after Shell, Esso and BP.

Mr McKinley said that price cuts to the consumer were never as dramatic as the falls seen in the spot markets. argely because oil passing through the refineries had been bought between 45 and 60 days before.

futures prices."
He believes that the world price will level off at about that being seen in the spot markets and has already trimmed Texaco's planned spending this year by 10 per cent from \$2.8 billion (£1.9 hillion).

· Ahu Dhabi yesterday cul the price of its best-selling portfolio - effectively the account io the case of trading Murban crude to contract customers from \$24.95 in January to \$16.65 in Febru-728p per share, slightly below since tax would only arise oo

The chairman of Texaco.



Spot prices for North Sca crude are being quoted at about \$13.40 for April delivthis stage, Akroyd & within Australia. The staff in Smithers, the jobber, and Rowe & Pitman, the stockhoker, will not be allowed to trade as a single operation until big bang in October.

Mercary International ry, but yesterday barrels being bought by refineries for immediate delivery — what the industry calls "wer" barrels - were selling for more

> The price is going down. but it is not going down at the same rate as is reflected by the

Distillers must pay Guinness £38m By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent

But a clause which requires number of banks allowing it to Government's decision to lay

Scotch whisky group, it emerged vesterday.

Details of the controversial agreement which is the subject of a legal challenge by Argyll Group, the rival Distillers hidder, were spelled out in Guinness's formal offer docu-

The costs will begin to rise again after March 21 at the rate of £2.1 million a week.

Distillers has agreed to pay the Kes and expenses including certain advertising costs of the Guinness merger proposal, reached agreement with a

Distillers is committed to But a clause which requires paying at least £38.7 million of Distillers to indemnify the costs Guinness incurs in Guinness against the sort of making its friendly £2.3 bil- legal challenge to the agree-lion takeover bid for the ment that Argall has launched has been dropped;

Cininness's chief executive. Mr Ernesi Saunders, defended the agreement, saying it was absurd to characterize it as "a poison pill ur shark-repellant.

This agreement was put in place to attract an offer which was considerably bener for the company and had the added advantage of being significantly higher than anything else on the table." he said.

Meanwhile Guinness has

shares in the stock market A £111 million loan facility has been arranged with Allied Irish Bank, Australia New Zcaland Banking Group and British Linen Bank, which will effectively allow the purchase of a further 5 per cent of Distillers shares Guinness's behalf.

resume purchases of Distillers

Morgan Grenfell, Guinness's established merchant bank, has been told by the Bank of England to stop huying shares on Guinness's behalf. The new facility will allow resumed purchases,

A judicial review of the

aside a Monupolies Commission reference of Guinness's original hid for Distillers began vesterday.

Guinness nuw has a new offer on the table under which it proposes to sell off certain whisky brands to quell the Office of Fair Trading's fears about the effects of the merger on competition in the drinks

Mr Saunders said that there would be news about the sale of the brands shortly.

One interested purchaser is Grand Metropolitan, which already owns I & B Rare

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Traders' hopes focus on the Bundesbank

world in their dealings with respective bond and money markets. Either bond markets have been overbought. or central hanks will be forced to give way on the interest rate front to the markets' pressure for lower rates. The latest hope for the traders is the Bundesbank, which mayor may notbe planning to cut its Lombard rate.

The two-way stretch shows up with vivid clarity in the US. Fed funds yesterday were firm, and showed no signs of casing from the most recent trading range of just under 8 per cent. Yet the long bond continued to move ahead. By mid-session it was well over 1/2 point ahead and still steaming onwards. Lower oil prices may have helped. Brent crude prices slipped a further 30 cents. As extension premiums on the bonds, relative to money costs.continue to shrink, the Fed is either going to find itself coping with an inverted yield curve, with all which that implies in political termsabout tight money policies or it will graciously cut the discount rate.

Doubtlessother possible outturns exist in the vast scheme of things, but cheaper money sounds like the other central banks' preferred way out of the dilemma. The Japanese again yesterday put in a plea for concerted cuts in rates.

The Bundesbank, by contrast, wheeled and dealed in market sentiment as if dealers had taken a correspondence course from the Bank of England. On the one hand, the new Federal Government bond emerged with a 6 per cent coupon. rather than the 5 per cent plus figure which traders had hoped to see, as an augur of cheaper rates on the way, But the bond was priced above par, giving it a yield on issue of 5.95 per cent, or new hig figure territory. At the same time the Bundeshank appeared to stress its tolerance of

Crunch points are beginning to cheaper money costs by setting a loom for central banks all over the minimum bid rate on its 29-day minimum bid rate on its 29-day repurchase agreement of 4.3 per cent,the lowest level since the new money market regime started a year ago. Falls in the Lombard rate imminent?

Until late in the day, when gilts drew support from New York London soent most of the day moving in a contrary direction to the rest of the world. Sterling weakness accounted in part for the 1/2 point markdown at the off in gilts: at Dm. 3.1925, sterling hit a record low against the German currency. Traders also registered their dislike of some of the more inspirational punditry around; long yields returned to double figures.

But it was also a desperately heavy day for the authorities in the money markets.A forecast shortage of £1.1 billion proved hard to shift and the Bank went into the market three times.as well as providing sale and repurchase facilities, to take the shortage out. Nonetheless, money rates rose, boosted as well perhaps by sterling weakness. Three month interbank increased by 1/4 point.

The problem with the current situation is the Bank of England"s old hogey.lt has too many markets to survey at this critical juncture, and most of them are responding to different external stimuli. This confusion in turn renders policy incomprehensible.accounting for the UK's inability to keep up with the rest of the world.

Market traders scoff at the idea of EMS membership, especially yesterday's rumour that the Chancellor will reveal imminent membership on Budget Day.But if the Chancellor were to take this step.it would undoubtedly ease the problenis in market management currently encountered by the Bank of England.as well as putting the gilt market a score of points better overnight. Crunch points, indeed!

Time to come clean

The current proposals, formulated by the Marketing of Investments Board, for sales of life insurance and unit trusts, are patently in need of sharpening, particularly in the area of diclosure of commissions earned on life insurance products. Since MIBOC published its consultative paper last December on the subject the main locus of interest has been purist view proposed by MIBOC, namely that salesmen should fall into one of only two camps, the company representative acting for one company alone and the genuinely independent intermediary with allegiance to no particular company's products. The public should know exactly whom it is dealing with, say MIBOC.In particular it must be protected from what the British Insurance Brokers Association, in its evidence to MIBOC this week, called

" today's greatest evil in the market"- namely the tied agent masquerading as an independent

But it is clear that there are limits on what the MIBOC element of the Securities and Investments Board want the public to be told. So-called company representatives will not sion that they stand to gain from the sale of a particular product; they merely have to reveal their status and the fact that they were not able to offer independent advice.

This rings admirably in the cosy corridors of life insurance head offices.In practice and in the front room of the unsuspecting and unitiated consumer it is pure fantasy.Life knsurance salesmen as a breed are not made in the MIBOC



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Gloomy profit forecast sparks buyers' interest

the worst reputations around the City, may have unknowingly capitalized on its sorry its weekend press release, highlighting flat profits, may have unwittingly attracted investors' interests and caused yesterday's share

Analysts do not expect good results from Beecham in mid-June when the 1985/86 figures are released. The company expects little change on last year's profits and forecast a profit this year of between £295 and £305 million. Analysts predict a figure around £300 million. This gloomy prediction is reflected in the share price action — at 350p, the share price has under-

performed by a street. So there was no point in accounted for 75 per cent of trying in hide the bad news: all profits. nuggets of ill-tidings were what the city expected.

weekend's re-affirmation of the year-end figures, which accompanied news of the purchase of Norchiff Thayer, the US over-the-counter medicines and health products business. The City had already swallowed the bad

The Solvay acquisition has news that the results would be allowed British Vita to tap its adversely affected by the weak dollar versus sterling but would be partly mitigated

by the strength of some European currencies and the But regardless of the bad news, there is little doubt that the underlying direction of censing arrangements and the business improved in the bas entered an agreement to latter half of the year. Phar-maceuticals were likely to be factured under licence in flat as the drug Augmentin has been replacing Amoxyl; result in a growing royalty soft drinks in Germany have income in future years. been on an improving trend and the cosmetics and DIY businesses have been on a past six months they have

to takeover, reports of its the be exaggerated.

British <u>Vita</u>

British Vita yesterday claimed a third successive year of profit growth saying.

bids, which has put a premi-um on management abilities

to market products successful-

ly, has underlined the need for

improved 100 marketing man-

agement in companies, ac-

cording to Mr Tony

McBurnie, director-general of

He called on the Govern-

ment to clarify its competition

policy on the issue of market share. This was a crucial factor

in the recent references to the

Monopolies and Mergers

Commissision of the initial

United Biscuits and Guinness

the Institute of Marketing.

Beecham, which has one of changing its name to Europa Vita because it was mainland Europe that provided the thrust of the latest profit

surge.
The Manchester-based company is now clocking up world-wide sales of more than £300 million in what could be termed "invisibles" the unseen fillings, such as foam and fibres, that go in to products such as car scats, mattresses, furniture and an increasing range of household

Pretax profits last year rose by 17 per cent to £12.2 million, but most significantly, for the first time the contribution from Europe edged slightly ahead of Britain's contribution of £4.7 million, Com-bined, the two markets

The profit included the results of a full year's opera-This may have been the tion in France and the results rationale behind the of the foam interests of the of the foam interests of the Solvay Group from last July. the date of its acquisition. British Vita believes its

future prosperity lies in strengthening its bases in the key French and German maradvanced technological know-how and it has already cashed in on a system of

producing cheaper and better headliners in cars. Instead of manufacturing the products itself, it is extending its increasingly important li-

Yesterday, British Vita's shares jumped 9p. But in the risen from 155p to 240p. This Despite looking vulnerable was probably influenced by group's decison, conimminent demise appear to firmed yesterday, to tackle its problem of blocked funds in Zambia, which represent the bulk of the £3.3 million extraordinary charges.

Outside Britain and Europe, the international side of it had shed its image of a the business — in the old domestic manufacturer shel- colonies of Canada and Austering behind protected colo- tralia - came in with a £3 million contribution.

In fact, it may be an British Vita, through an appropriate time to consider aggressive move across the

cessful in world markets

would inevitably tend to have

shares. Mr McBurnie main-

share was segment share

where sales broke down into

product and brand categories

such as premium and own

label. That was the issue the

Government needed to be

clearer about in competition

Mr McBurnie said: "We

need improved top-level mar-

keting management and we

need more chief executives to

accept and develop a company

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tained. The crucial market soon will."

Onshore search still promising

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Channel, has significantly al-

tered its profile with a broad

enough spread across most

markets to offer the prospect

without acquisitions, which

do not appear all that likely at

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The figures show impressive growth. In just five years

profits have risen from a

negligible level to a forecast £1.3 million before tax for the

year to April 30. The pretax

profit margin is 4.4 per cent.

Although fast growth is likely

to continue, it is difficult to say how fast, as GGT is too

young to have established a

Youth however is no obsta-cle to ricbes. At 165p the sbares are offered at 18 times

prospective earnings, which represents a slight discount to

the rating accorded to better established rivals such as

Abbott Mead Vickers. James

Capel, the broker, expects

GGT to trade on a par with

One of the disadvantages

under which GGT labours,

however, is that most of the £4.95 million being raised is

going to the founding direc-

tors rather than to the compa-

ny. GGT itself is raising only

expensive offices in May.

success, given the agency's

no different from that of an

engineering company, but it

still has the advantage on

non-executive directors

Fewer than 40 per cent of chief executives of British

companies had marketing and

sales experience, with finan-

cial, legal and technical back-

grounds much more common.

A recent University of

Bradford management centre study had reported that two-thirds of British companies

surveyed had said they were

not good at marketing. They still believed that profit came

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sustained growth even

By David Young Energy Correspondent

The oushore oil industry's nain problem this year will not be falling oil prices, but environmental pressures, Wood Mackenzie, the broker, suggests.

Despite this, the lure of profitable develop provide sufficient incentive for continued enthusiasm for onshore exploration, the broker

Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith Minister for Energy, will an-nounce the first formal round of pushore oil exploration licences

Wood Mackenzie, in a report to clients, says: "Although the oushore scene continues to offer considerable commercial interest even at corrent oil prices, the industry is faced with a variety of

In many cases, it notes, companies face difficulties in obtaining planning permission.

"The revised licence system should allow oil companies great-er flexibility of operations," the report adds. "However, landowners, local authorities and environ-

ers, total autorities and caving-mentalists may all delay off companies plans.

"In addition, growing aware-ness of the profitability in onshore oil activities has resulted in landowners sacking higher compensation payments."

Saatchi Bros to take 30% stake in NMC

Mr Charles and Mr Maurice Saatchi, directors of the public relations firm, are to take a 15 per cent stake each in the NMC fibreboard manufacturer in a proposed 8.63 million share issue that will see 50.1 per cent of the company in new hands.

The deal also includes the issue of 1.71 million warrants to existing shareholders and to the new investors.

£539,000 after expenses. An-The Saatchi brothers will hold nearly 2,59 million other point to bear in mind is that margins will fall next shares each and a third invesyear because the company is tor. Mr N Newton, will have moving into new and more 3.45 million shares, or 20.04 per cent. He will join the Despite these qualifica-

tions, the issue is likely to be a This issue will raise about £1.32 million, after expenses. reputation and the market's It will halve the 48.8 per cent stake in NMC currently held continuing fondness for the by East Rand Consolidated to 24.4 per cent. industry. GGT may com-plain that its prospectus looks

The issue is subject to sbareholders' approval, but principal shareholders holding 57.61 per cent will vote in

were detailed marketing plans

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is payable on May 1.

• F11 GROUP: With figures in £000, sales were up to 8,735 (7,583) and pretax profit to ,060 1810). Profit after tax was

MENTS: Results for the six months to December 31 (figures in £000) show turnover at 1,300 (1,238) and operating profit before depreciation 436 1352). Pretax profit was 244 1189) and

of J.I. JACOBS: Salenia has acquired an additional 700,000 ordinary shares representing 3.04 per cent of the company's outstanding capital. This takes Salenia's total holding in Jacobs to 5.765.000 ordinary shares

10 S.765,000 Ordinary shares (25.02 per cent).

NEW AUSTRALIA INVESTMENTS: Keywest Finance has purchased 214,999 ordinary shares (4.3 per cent). Laking the parent Keywest group's holding to 1,489,899 ordinary shares (29,8 per cent).

MEDMINSTER: An interim dividend of 21.5 per cent dividend of 21.5 per cent (19.5per cent) is included in the results for the six months to December 31 last year. With figures in 1£000), lurnover was 6,325 (6,412), pretax profit 296 (241) and profit after tax 192

161). Earnings per share are 9.60p (8.05pl.

COPE ALLMAN INTER-COPE ALLMAN INTER-NATIONAL: An interim divi-dend of 3.4p 12.7p) is included in the results for the half year to December 28 last year. With figures in £000, turnover was 92,520 (86.604), pretax profit 7,519 (6.339) and profit after tax 4776 (3567). Earnings per share

are 12p 18.97p).

GOOD RELATIONS
GROUP: A dividend of 4.9p (4.9) is included in the results for the year to December 31. With figures in £000, lumover totalled 11,765 (8,826), pretax profit 1023 [1345] and attributable profit 547 [1997]. (9.9p). The chairman said the group had been through a difficult period and had emerged stronger as a result of the decisive and forward-look-

of 2.25p (1.75p) is payable for the year to December 3t, 1985 (15 mths to December 31, 1984), making 3.5p 12.75p) for the whole year. With figures in £000, tumover amounted 10 217.708 1200,847), pretax profit 4,055 (2.285) and atributable profit 3,956 (909). Earnings per share on a net basis are 22.72p

(10.36p). • WOODHOUSE & RIXSON HOLDINGS: A final dividend of 1.5p 10.75p), making 2.5p (1p) for the year, is payable for 1985. With figures in £000, turnover was 10.537 18,985) and profit before tax 1.137 (262). Earnings per share were 7.8p (2.1p). Dividend is payable on

April 28.
• ROTHMANS INTER-NATIONAL: An interim dividend of 25 cents (25 cents) is ncluded in the results of the ompany's Singapore associates for the six months to December 31 last year. With figures in \$5000, turnover was 77,743 18.466) and pretax profit 17.779 (18,052). Earnings per share are 9.5c 19.4c). Barring unforeseen circumstances, profit for the second half year is expected to be maintained at a sausfactory

• RATCLIFFS (GREAT BRIDGE): A final dividend of 1.5p 12.5pt is payable for the year to December 3t, 1985, making a total of 2.5p 13.5pt, With figures in £000, the group loss after all charges was 343

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Oil price worries trigger bout of profit-taking

Share prices recorded widespread falls as investors took fright from falling oil prices and a weakening pound. The FT 30-share index lost 10 points to close at 1267.4 and the FT-SE fell 9 points to

Hopes that interest rates will be allowed to ease in the Budget have largely evaporated as the spot price of oil slipped below \$14 a barrel following the latest price culting move by Abu Dhabi.

Hints that the arctic weather sobering factor. So there was little fresh incentive for investors who were content to take profits after the recent strong advance. Selling was light and turnover was generally a much

Government securities gave back half a point as cheaper money bopes waned. Losses among leading industrials were contained to a band of between 2p and 10p, but one or two internationals were supported by currency consid-

BOC Group, for instance, rose 6p to 334p and Cadbury Schweppes, with results due next Thursday, hardened 2p to 166p. Elsewhere, Hawker Siddeley slipped 8p to 517p and Lucas 10p to 613p while Beecham Group, a recent take-over favourite, declined 6p to 350p in spite of talk of "imminent developments".

Consumer stocks made a drab showing on the prospect of a nutral Budget. Marks and Spencer, worried by fashion

Abbott Mead V (180p) 230 up 7
Ashley (L) (135p) 230 up 4
Brookmount (180p) 180
Cable & Wire (587p) 348
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EQUITIES

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like Burton eased 4p to 187p. 148p. Storehouse, the subject of several brokers' downgradings, dipped 10p to

303p bul Laura Ashley continued to reflect hopes of US buying orders at 231p, up 5p. Home Charm tumbled to 285p on news that discussions about a possible bid, announced last Friday, had been terminated. The shares later rallied to 318p a net fall of

Other DIY companies were also upset with A.G. Stanley down 4p to 75p and Hampden Home Care 7p lower at 61p. Martin Ford was marked up

121/2p to 1331/2p on talk of an imminent 145p offer. The commodity dealers S.& W. Berisford gained 9p to 211p as Hillsdown Holdings increased its stake in 9.09 per cent by way of market purchases.

Mckechnie, whose share-holders gave the go-ahead to bid for Newman Tonks (up 3p to 131p) lost another 6p to 190p, Williams Holdings, whose bid for McKechnie has now been aborted, rallied 12p

Suter climbed 13p to 240p after favourable comment on its proposed acquisition of UKO International. Hepworth Ceramic put on 9p to 167p speculative demand. But Pilkington gave up 10p to 428p on further consideration of its US expansion plans.

Bridon gained 10p to 135p on the sale of its Mexican interests. Acquisition news supported B. Elliott at 57p up

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(1,337 profit). Loss per share amounts to 8.26p (27.67p earn-

amounts to 8.20p (27.67) earning). The parent company's loss is after allowing for a provision for doubtful debts of £176,000 and an abnormally high undervaluation of £337.000. Dividend is nearly on May 1.

• RIVER PLATE AND GEN-ERAL INVESTMENT TRUST: A dividend of 6.5p is payable, making 8.5p (7.2p) for 1985. With figures in £000.

franked investment income was 1.687 (1.500), unfranked invest-

ment income 334 (389), profit on dealing by subsidiaries 21 (23) and other income 74 (61).

WADKIN: The offer document and listing particulars have been posted to the shareholders of Wadkin and

pretax profits for the year ended December 31 are estimated at

£410,000. Wadkin is estimate

to have made a losss of £380,000

over the same period. The offer which is unanimously recom-

mended by the board of Wadkin is due to close on

March 19.

RECENT ISSUES

93 up

compelition from other stores 4p and Amari 7p better at

AMS Industries reported profits up by 58 per cent, but a warning with the figures that the order intake for audio processing equipment had de-clined lopped 20p from the shares at 104p. Electricals generally were down with Racal 6p down at 194p in spite of last weeks denial of rights

issue intentions. LEC Refrigeration met demand at 280p up 17p and Automated Security, another speculative favourite improved 8p to 168p.

Reports that the influx of American visitors is well down on last year unsettled hotel shares where falls of 2p

to 5p were frequent. McCorquodale at 208p up 5p continued to anticipate a rumoured bid from Norion Opax. British Vita celebrated a better-than-expected 17 per cent carnings expansion with a

Abbott Mead, reporting on Thursday, was marked up 7p to 230p but a 40 per cent setback knocked 17p from Michael Peters at 173p. Powerline also disappointed down 24p to 131p while a 57 per cent reduction in profits clipped 3p from Microvitec at

Weekend press comment prompted the usual Monday crop of firm features. Helical Bar at 104p J S D Computer 115p. Minty 340p. Havelock Enropa 253p, Schroders 1263p, Aurora 52p, Strong and Fisher 136p were among

Wickes (140p)

Cray Elec F/P Hartwells N/P

Safeway UK

Wates N/F

Peel Hidgs F/P Porter Chad F/P

Stormguard F/P

(Issue price in brackets).

RIGHTS ISSUES

and 65p. Futura Holdings was

wanted at 320p up 20p. In a thin market, James Crean was hoisted 40p to 355p. NMC Investments returned from suspension 67p higher at 90p on news that the Saatchi Brothers had acquired a substantial stake. Dealers immediately suspected a shell situation such as Wire and Pastic Products where the Saatchi Brothers interest has

transformed the share price. C H Industrial jumped 6p to 56p on the sale of its stake in Banro. Banks remained perky after last Friday's good profits from Lloyds. National Westminster, reporting loday, added 5p to 707p. Analysts are looking for profits of between £750 million and £770 mil-

Life companies made a bright showing with Pruden-tial up 10p to 942p after a press report suggesting a possi-ble merger with Midland Bank, 7p firmer at 479p. Composite insurers were still concerned with last Thursday's disappointing profits from Royal another 5p easier at 863p.

Mixed properties had MEPC at 350p, down 8p, but the shares later rallied to 566p awaiting takeover develop-

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

	RISES:	
	BOC Grp	334 +
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	Natwest	707p +
	Suter	240p +1
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Romney sharpens its investment objective

To emphasise its international nature Romney will henceforth be measured against the Morgan Stanley Capital International Index whilst retaining a sterling

It is probable that with the increasing emphasis in foreign markets, earnings will fall. However, a minimum total dividend of 5.0p will be recommended for the year to 31.12.86 using revenue reserves if necessary.

Mr. S. G. Brooksbank FCA, Chairman

Results:	31.12.85	31.12.84
Gross revenue	£3.86m	£3.17m
Earnings per stock unit Proposed dividend for year	6.53p	4.49p
per stock unit	5.00p	4.60p
Net asset value per stock unit		316.9p
Total resources	£101.9m	£95.5m

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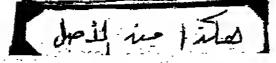
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By Judith Huntley Commercial Property Correspondent

The construction industry

can look forward to only s

fortunes this year, according to the latest Investment in Con-

struction report by Greene &

per cent in 1979-80.

The office market in London

and the South-east of England

is comparatively buoyant, as is

the retail sector, the report

says. Private house-building

provides a solid backbone for

the industry but the land shortages in the South-east

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Holdings, both lowly-geared companies, and Wilson (Connolly) Holdings, with its large residential land bank, will be good investments in

Orwellian ring to SIB's futures business rules

long on the studied legalese of last week's weighty offerings from the Securities and Invesiments Board to reach an arresting conclusion: anybody in the futures business who fondly believed that London was not about to receive a Securities and Exchange Com-

mission should think again.
Indeed. the "Conduct of
Business Rules" issued by the SIB for consultation have quite unimentionally an al-most Orwellian ring: "de-regulation" means exactly the

opposite.
Under the guise of "selfregulation", futures trading in London will in fact be carefully regulated by someone else. This is certainly true of private investor business, and is more true of trade business than many people so far have cared to admit.

Take capital adequacy, a matter which arguably affects firms with mainly trade business more closely than those dealing with private investors. The SIB. headed by Sir Kenneth Berrill, has not yet shared its thoughts on this central question with us. but when it does, the squeals will be audible all over the Square

The notion of what is eligible rather than the size of the capital adequacy requirement will bear an uncanny resemblence to SEC rules.

Or to return to thoughts which the \$1B has youchsafed. take the "Know Your Customer" rule (number 3,4.0) for devotees of last week's "General Note"):

'No firm shall recommend a transaction in options, fu-

differences or effect or arrange for the effecting of such a transaction with or for a customer who is not reasonably believed by the firm to be a business investor in relation to that investment or a professional investor in relation to that transaction unless the firm has a reasonable basis for believing that the customer has such knowledge and experience in financial matters that he may be expected to be of the transaction and that he can afford to take those risks."

Alter reading that, one is grateful to the SIB draughtsmen tor not including a "clarifying" Practice Note. But the message is plain. A lot of customers of lirms who shall remain nameless but which do pop up in the newspapers every now and again could be rejected because either they did not have the relevant knowledge and experience, or because they could not evaluate the risk. or because they could not afford

The last is a sound and rather fundamental point which occurs several times in the General Note. The draft rules go on to define best execution (the principle that the client is entitled to the cheapest price), firm's remuneration, and the tricky little matter of investments which are not marketed.

That embraces a wide range. from what one SIB luminary described as the typical Vancouver stock to certain kinds Business Enterprise

And so the rules proceed,



Sir Kenneth Berrill: mare rules to come

The detail counts because these rules will be the basis of equivalence". the SIB doctrine that the Self-Regulatory cated investor" Organizations which are supposed to run the show must have rules equivalent in the scope and effect to those of the board. In practice, the SIB is depriving SRGs of much of their cherished initiative, and it is not outside its powers in

Let us take another item. almost at random. The rules try to distinguish between on the one hand what I have here called a private investor and what on the other hand the SIB calls a "business investor" and a "professional investor". The former is someone for whom buying and selling investments is normal in the course of carrying on a business whose main purpose is not investment; the latter is someone who carries on an investment husiness and receives and gives services for

that purpose

In offering these distinctions, the board is trying, quite rightly, to quell long-standing fears among futures traders (that is, professional investors) that they will be subject to the same oncrous rules when dealing with each other as when dealing with private investors.

But the list of rules (devolees note again, numbers 3.3.01 to 3.3.071 for dealing with private investors does nut leave SROs much scope. Customer agreements, discre-tionary portfolio management and frequency with which information is given to the customer are all covered.

What the SIB has avoided.

The number of sophisticat ed private investors in futures and options in this country seems fairly small. Such people are reduced instead to a kind of residual category within the rules, the people who do not fall under any other definition.

But the two crucial points remain. The SIB rules are comprehensive, and we are promised many more; and they are rules, not mere guidelines. Futures and options trading in London, for so long a world of its own, is moving into an uncomfortable era of direct and stringent controls.

By constructing the clabo-rate apparatus of SROs, the Government has skilfully disguised the true extent of the central direction, Orwell would have understood.

Michael Prest

COMPUTER HORIZONS/1

National surgery to soothe the victims of 'technofear'

been in crisis. It has been shackled with a negative attitude towards anything technical - an attitude that has been tempered by an educational system which dissuaded the best brains from entering tech-

nically related professions. Co. the firm of stockbrokers. The situation has been fur-ther aggravated by an abun-The recent excitement in the sector caused by a bull market dance of brilliant engineers and the prospect of the Chan whose design talents are the envy of the world but whose nel tunnel contracts has died away in the face of falling oil understanding of corporate management is basic, again a prices and the spectre of rising interest rates, the firm says. Greene & Co gives warning against pinning hopes for the sector on increasing public expenditure. Much has been poor testimony to the British educational system. The mid-dle managers who are trying to keep np with their secretaries knowledge of word processors are as vuinerable as the entresaid about the state of Britain declining infrastructure but it preneurs who want to invest computerized/automated has little impact on government policy or spending plans.

dustrial conflict. They are all Estimates put the construc tion industry's share of public in need of help. Ail is not gloom. A team of volunteers at the British Instispending as low as 7.5 per cer in 1986-87, a fall from the 10.3 tute of Management intend to change the profile of those Real growth is likely to com only through the private sector but the broker raises doubts technically deprived managers and attempt to encourage them to sked their "technofears", and learn to appreciate technology. about that if interest rates rise

equipment with minimum in-

Last week the team began campaign to raise £500,000 to transform the 100 or so BIM centres around the UK into surgeries where ailing managers can have therapy in confi-

The national surgery network is an extension of two pilot schemes which have been created within the last 18 months at Warrington and Kingston, In these centres managers of different ranks and backgrounds have discussed their problems with experts and with each other in

their search for solutions. The network is to be extended in modest stages, assuming that the BIM can get industry to fund the project and realize Bluntly, they were not quali-

By Richard Sarson

those targets.

that without such a scheme UK management will remain second-rate and under-skilled. By September six surgeries will be in operation, depending on the funding available.

That funding is a yearly budget of about £5,000 for each centre. The price is cheap, since most of the overheads in teaching and adminstration are carried out by unpaid votunteers.

Britain will pay an even higher price in the international business market if its corpo-

THE WEEK

By Bill Johnstone Technology Correspondent

rate decision-makers are outclassed. Undoubtedly the long term approach must be to give a more comprehensive education to those studying

technical subjects.
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Dr Bert Darnell, one of the principal energies behind the BIM surgery project, was on the Finniston Committee which looked at the calibre of British engineers. The Finniston report was to recommend many sweeping changes. In the wake of its publication the Engineering Council was ultimately formed to influence the educa-

tion and training of engineers. Testimonies gathered by committee members from Europeans and Americans were in praise of the technical skills of British engineers but highly critical of their arrogance, inflexibility, and ignorance of corporate management.

Gentlemen cracksmen of the 80s

they were not.
Waiting for the new batches of engineers to acquire such skills will guarantee that Brit-ish management will be so far behind its major industrial competitors that catching up may prove to oe almost impossible. That is what makes the BIM project vital.

The surgeries, however, are not enough. The patients must realise that they are ailing. To help that diagnostic process the BIM is encouraging its members to give their skills an objective audit.

The result of such audits is to ensure that the manage

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and opportunities to technical projects • Understand the best methods of working with the

to make the best use of people's skills: . . . Marry corporate strategy to the exploitation of those skills

relevant technology and how

and technologies. The technology, albeit computers or electronics, is but a means to an end. The manage must be able to relate that

change to the business in which he is competing. They must examine whether markets are being lost for technical reasons, what is the performance of the competition and what strains will be imposed when new technol-

ogy is introduced. Information Technology Year three years ago raised the awareness of British business significantly we were told. If it ever did then British management has failed to respond to the challenge.

For that reason the BIM project must be supported.

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Hacking is the dangerous sport of breaking electronicalcase next month, works he is exploring. The pseudonymous Hugo ly and often illegally into other people's computer networks Cornwall takes a new look at the ethics of hacking. He is insistent that backers are not and then browsing around, fraudsters, transferring vast preferably in the most heavily sums between bank accounts. protected parts of the system. or moles, burrowing away in the most secret of MI5 files. The hackers see themselves as the gentlemeo cracksmen of

the high-technology 1980s. When The Hacker's Handbook by Hugo Corowall was published last year it uncovof getting in. One of the pioneers, Susan ered an interest io hacking much wider than the author been revised to keep up with 1985's technical jumps: oew videotex targets to hack and new radio and packet-switch-

ing services to use to reach It also brings the reader up to date with the effects of the Data Protection Act and the possible extension of the crime of forgery to cover certain types of hacking. Omitted are references to the Great Prince Philip Prestel Mailbox Hack to avoid sub

The hacker is seldom interested in what he finds. The fun lies in the intellectual process

Headley, a 17-year-old Calilocal telephone system io 1977, confessed that what attracted ber was the sense of power. She had beaten today's clite, the computer designers.

by peeping into the inner workings of fashiooable multitasking operating systems, running on large mainframes, through the porthole of his battered old Apple II+. He does not regard this as trespassing because he is not duction to data communicadoing it for gain, or to damage tions

judice comment on a court the system, but because he genuinely admires the net-

He disapproves of electronic vaodals and even deplores the spitefulness of a group of \$ American hackers who, displeased with a Newsweek reporter, Richard Sandaza, for betraying confidences, backed into his credit rating and displayed it oo bulletin boards from coast to coast as revenge.

Truthfulness is seldom present in tales of hacking exploits. The hacker embroicovers up his methods. The victim does not like to appear a fool and covers up the fact

ower. She had beaten today's that he has been backed.

The book may introduce new backers toto this twilft world of semi-legality, halftruths and hoaxes. But it will & warn others of the consequences, and may even deter

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For the non-hacker it is a clear and entertaining intro-



COMPUTER HORIZONS/2

in the living room

By Richard Pawson

in the beginning there was Pong, the brainchild of Silicon Valley entrepreneur Nolan Bushnell. This simple computerized video game that involved two bats and a ball was to spark off a multimillion dollar revolution in home entertainment. That was in 1972 and every succeeding, year has seen an increase in the sophistication of the video effects. Yet it has taken 14 years for the next mejor innovation to errive and it comes from the same

inventor.

Mr Bushnell's new concept can best be described as three-dimensional video games. To put it another way. Space Invaders have acquired a physical form: they no longer attack down a video screen, but across the living room

carpet.
TechForce was revealed at the New York Toy Fair earlier this month, which means that it will be in US toy shops by Christmas, but probably not in Britain until 1987, American prices will start from \$200 (£137) for two consoles and

two vehicles.

Designed for two players. TechForce gives each player control of up to eight mobile units via a radio-control link with a range of 50 feet. These units have interchangeable bodies to give a range of different games from space monsters to World War II

tank engagements.

Each mobile unit can move forwards and backwards, turn, or fire an infra-red beam at an opposing unit. If the beam hits the receptor on another unit then the latter is immobilized for 10 seconds. Conventional LEDs give a visual indication

of the

that a unit is firing.

The tricky part of the design, according to Mr Bushnell, was finding a way to encode messages for eight different units on to one radio channel. The computer chip inside each unit was designed within his own company, Axlon, and has an expansion unit for additional functions including a planned link to

existing home computers. Io the initial version, however, each player needs a TechForce command consul. Any individual tank or combination of tanks can be selected from the keyboard and their

Some entrepreneurs foresee a major market in off-the-shelf software

movements and guns controlled live from a joystick. The consuls also permit players to pre-program a simple sequence of moves for each tank and then activate them simultaneously. When the effects of the moves have been observed, players can specify

their next attack.

However, Mr Bushnell foresees a major market in off-theshelf software, familiar ground to the man who founded Atari, and to this end he has devised an ingenious method of dubbing control signals on to the audio track of a cassette or video tape. Conventional voice or music recordings do not interfere with these control signals (which are picked up by a microphone attached to one control consul) thus enabling verbal instructions for the game, background music and sound effects to be on the same tape.

In an impressive demon-stration of TechForce, a video recording of Mr Bushnell in-teracts with space vehicles on the floor in front of the screen - each one seemingly re-sponding to the voice of its creator. He goes on to initiate a game of three-dimensional space invaders. The eight aliens receive their orders from the TV ser your solitary defender must immobilize them before they reach you ducking behind cover when they are about to fire.

My own efforts to oppose this onslaught lasted just 30 seconds and seemed about as ineffectual as my attempts on the video versions in the late 1970s. But there is no denying the addictive quality of video games in physical form.

if it works on video tape there is no reason why control signals should not broadcast on live television - a licensing opportunity that Bushnell has not been slow to exploit. In the case of TechForce, a live TV programme could bring the toys themselves to life.

Invaders | Shakespeare put in the shade

while our that

By David Guest Shakespeare's vocabulary is estimated at about 5,000 words. The thrifty Racine, by contrast, made do with fewer than 1,000. But both are put in the shade by modern word processing programs.

During the past month three word processing packages have been launched with extensive lexicons that auto-matically check the typist's spelling. Volkswriter 3 has a lexicon of 170,000 words, IBM's Displaywine 3 has 100,000 and Innovative Software's Smart program has 80,000 plus a thesaurus.

Spelling checkers have been. available as adjuncts to word processing programs for several years, but their size and growing scope is beginning to put them into a new category. They belong in the class of software that the computer industry's marketing men find so hard to illuminate - expert systems.

This type of software commonly deals with more abstruse subjects such as medical diegnoses or mineral prospecting. The common fea-ture is their ability to give answers that spare their users a journey to the reference library. Spelling checkers are a simple example; so simple that they have so far escaped attention.

They offer expertise at two levels. First, there are the labours of the lexicographers whose works have been re-



corded on a floppy disc. Then there is the processing soft-ware that applies the spelling checker to the document being

typed at the word processor. IBM was unable to disclose the source of Displaywrite 3's words at the product's launch. teresting pedigree of the trio. Lifetree's founder, Carmilo

technical and general. This

makes the product truly inter-

the dictionary is European by adoption. It should embody

substantial expertise.

Modern spelling checkers are not restricted to spelling.

The Smart product is sensitive to punctuation and ebbrevia-It specified only that it was tion and Volkswriter 3 will based on a 100,000 word UK detect missing spaces. Both dictionary. The Smart package can spot lower case letters that is assembled from Merriam-should be capitals, words that Webster's Ninth New Colle-giate. Lifetree Software's tally and incorrectly used Volkswriter has the most in-prefixes and suffixes.

Volkswriter is also said to look at phonetics and mis-Wilson, says the lexicon has placed letters in its checking been compiled by ex-EEC process. In doing so it intro-linguists from 10 dictionaries, duces an educational element when it detects a mistake it delves into the dictionary to national - Wilson is Chilean, produce a list of the closest

his company is American, and alternatives for the user's consideration, and there can be incongruous suggestions.

For example, typing the word rong will yield a string of obvious alternatives -WTONE, WTANE, WTUNE, sine etc. - and one or two that are less closely related.

Improving your word-pow-er is probably old hat as a slogan for a word processor. hut the new hreed of program seems genuinely to offer the possibility. Alongside eccept-ed standards of literacy. 170,000 words sounds like a major contribution to adult

education. Beside Racine's miserly tally it sounds like overkill. But Racine did not seek fame writing business letters:

Amiga set for launch in Europe

■ Commodora is due to announce e European version of its Amiga micro in Frankturt tomorrow. The success of this tachnically advanced computer is vital to the compeny which earlier this month reported e \$53 million loss for its second quarter compared to a \$3.2 million

profit a year earliar. With an expected price for the European Amiga of mora than £1,000, Commodore is expected to emphesize its use as a business micro - unlike America, Europeans will not pay that sort of amount for anything perceived as purely a home computer.

More than helf of medium-sized businesses ere deterred from using electronic mail because of tha incompabbility between different services says the electronic mail company One-to-One. It is suggesting that such services band together to set up direct links be-tween different systems under a new organisation European Electronic Mail Association.

Companies which joined would be expected to promptly pess on messages received from other services and charge only the usual rate to subscribers. "Given the will," says Roger Dean of One-to-One, "our industry could achieve complete message intarchange in months. All tha

technical problems were



'I'm borrowing it for the weekend to help me do my

son's homework' solved years ago when tha various services linked up to tha telex network".

British firms must "automate or liquidate", says the British Robol Association after it released figures showing that the sales of indus-trial robots in the UK fell for tha first tima last year. Despite expansion in Wast Germany, the US and Jepan, only 585 robots were sold here in 1985 compared to 679 in 1984. Wast Germany has 8,000 industrial robots compared to Britains 3,200.

Birmingham-based Apricot Computers dipped its corporate toe into the waters of the market for computers

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that can handle several users lest week es it announced tha development of a multiple station computer based a round its Xen business micro.

The system looks similar to the standard Xen computer but comes with two megabytes of computer memory, e minimum of 20 megebytes of hard disc computer storage.

expandable to 100 megabytes, and a 20 megabyte tape back-up cartridge. The base unit costs £5,000 and each terminal £1,000 with a monchrome screen and one megabyte of mamory built

The company claims that this will move it into the super micro and low end mini computer merket - offering a system which has high speed performance.

In a major blow to IBM. the US central tax agency, the Inlamal Ravenue Service. has givan a £20 million contract for 15,000 laptop portable computers to Zanith Data Systems. Industry experts and computer journals on both sides of the Allentic hed predicted IBM would win that contract - the lirst order tor its new laptop that has yet to be announced publicly.

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HP backs radical computer design From Matthew May, San Francisco The American computer firm

Hewlett-Packard is to base most of its future computer products on a novel form of computer design that the industry is only beginning to

So far this form of computer architecture, known as reduced instruction set computers (Risc), has been seen as largely relevant to specialist markets, such as engineering and science, where complex design and research programs, need intensive computation

The technology, developed over ten years ago by scientists at IBM, is based on research. which showed that the majority of a computer's time is small number of simple in structions, twenty per cent of a computer's set of instructions would be used 80 per cent of the time.

. It led to a design of computer architecture which builds simple instructions into the hardware of a machine and puts seldom-used instructions into software, thereby, say its advocates, making computers more powerful, reliable and cheaper.

Hewlett-Packard is to begin its switch to Risc technology with the launch of two high nerformance minicomputers for business applications and two others for engineering and factory automation. The first will not, however, be available until the middle of this year and the last in the middle of 1987.

Their early announcement will give the company time to reassure potential customers - particularly those for the husiness machines - who may feel they will end up as guinea. pigs for the new technology in an industry deeply cautious about changing such fundamentals as computer architechture.

John Young, president and chief executive of the company, firmly denies the sugg tion that the complete switch 10 Risc is a major gamble. "At HP we are innovators, not gamblers," he said, pointing out that two-thirds of the developments in the new computers are not to do with the Risc technology. And, he pointed out, all the software for its current range of business computers can easily be converted for use on the two new business machines.

Other compoter manufacturers will be watching HP's fortunes with great interest as the new machines are cheaper to build and maintain and should provide a sharp boost to Hewlett-Packard's profit margin. Being the first company to base an entire product range on Risc may be a gamble, but if mushrooming growth rates are to return to an industry that badly needs innovation, the rewards it reaps could be great.

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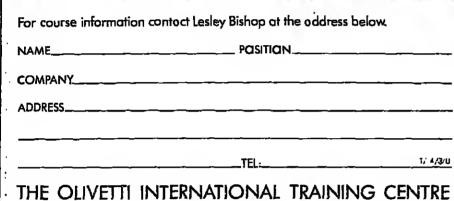
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Time to put the board in the picture

More and more managers and clerks are getting screens on their desks which give them facts and figures about their job. Members of a company's board are ususally not so

They still go into board meetings with sheaves of pa-per full of rows and columns and indigestible numbers. Perhaps they would prefer the facts to be served up in charts and graphs to show key ratios and trends, not just raw

numbers. Financial directors can be guilty of either giving board members too much paper to find important figures hidden in a mass of details or they get so little they cannot pinpoint a trouble spot.

Geoffrey Kent, chairman of the Imperial Group, was one of those who felt be and bis boadroom computer system to give a view of the company colour of course.

By David Guest

A slow fuse is burning down to

the deregulation of financial

services in the City in October and suppliers of computer

systems are laying plans for a

As any veteran of shop tills

at the time of decimalization

will confirm, change spells

opportunity for the nimble

system manufacturer. But it

A peculiarity of the deregu-

lation of the Stock Exchange is

the degree of uncertainty that

applies to the size and type ol

computer systems that will be

needed. New types of dealer,

new business and new elec-

tronic services are on the cards

but estimating the scale and

scope of the systems to cope with them is fraught with

One supplier said archly:

can also mean bigh risk.

controlled explosion.



Hi-tech business: ICL's computer-controlled meeting room

that can be as broad or as pinpointed as it wants.

To do this a team converted budgets. five-year plans, monthly accounting returns and economic trends into a computer library of 2,000 graphs and tables. The board members can select any of these and browse through them at their desks. Recently the system was extended to board needed better than this the boadroom so that charts and since 1981 has huilt up a can be brought up on a projection screen

"Come October we're going to

Two companies at opposite

ends of the spectrum represent

the computer industry's re-

sponse. Tandem, the multina-

tional which bas become

popular among computer us-

ers in the financial sector with

fault-tolerant systems and spe-

cialization in transaction pro-

cessing, has allied itself with

two other specialists in a

venture called Consultants to

FDS Microsystems, a much

smaller operation but with a

background in computer ser-

vices to the City, has launched

a system that can be extended

in scope and size on demand.

ing, and C&P Technology --Consultants to the City --

Tandem, Admiral Comput-

have to take a speculative position on the delivery of

Imperial's boadroom sys-tem was put in by Metapraxis of Kingston with prices starting at about £25,000. ICL also say the developers. believes there is a market for

intelligent computerized boadrooms and sells unique octagonal sbaped meeting room" complete with hi-tech equipment called the Pod. But with a staggering price tag of more than £100,000 it has so far only managed to sell one. Intelligent boadrooms are a

heads are better than one.

Between them they claim to be

able to offer everything from

desk design to advanced com-

puter hardware, and the con-

sultancy to apply it at the right

Multiview is aimed at a

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PC and one or two screens.

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Winston Churchill's cabinet war room, although the technology is no longer obtrusive.

An intelligent boardroom, it is argued, can give facts in a painless way, hopefully leading them to better decisions. It could even help them to argue their case better to merchant bankers in the crises of commercial life such as takeover bids - perhaps this was why Geoffrey Kent decided to extend his company's system

Countdown to a controlled bang came together late last year on the understanding that three a PC system unit and more system units act as the turn-

stiles through which the information services enter the network. The software organizes in-coming data for the user and allows him or her to build up a view of an immediate area ol concern. It will also monitor the market automatically while the PC is used on

another task, triggering an alert if, for example, a user's stop-loss condition is reached.

The network can accommodate between 30 and 200 terminals and FDS also offers consultancy services and network maintenance. It promises to protect its users from having to tangle with the information vendors and with

On screen faster then ever before

By Frank Brown

An optical processor capable of operating L,000 times faster of operating L,000 times faster than present processors will be one of the highlights of this year's Hanover Fair CeBIT (Office and Information Technology) Exhibition. The event, which opens on March 12 for eight days, will be the largest information technology exhiinformation technology exhibition in the world with more than 2,000 exhibitors from 26 countries, including more than 100 from the UK.

Exhibits will cover virtually every aspect of office, information and communications sechnologies, including R&D. products, systems, and neiworks and special sections on banking and security. computer integrated manufacturing. software and personal comput-

The new optical processor will be one of many prototype exhibits in the Exhibition's R&D section where academic and research establishments from many parts of the world. including two from the UK, will be demonstrating the resuits of their work.

The device has been deveioped by the European Joint Optical Bistability (EJOB) Project, one of a number of EEC-funded research programmes that will be featured on the Enrapean Commission's stand

EJOB was established last year to co-ordinate the efforts of eight European Laboratories and Research Teams in developing a digital optical. parallel computer that will revolutionize present processing technology, particularly in artificial intelligence, optical image processing, and optical

The EJOB project has given Europe a strong lead in optical processing over its competitors in the US and Japan. It is due to end later this year and the availability of further funds; will depend on the willingness of the industry to provide support for a follow-up project.

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Another push to a

way through a number of technologies in its relatively short life. It now seems set to see yet another one off and the inge may prove to be the most spectacular offering the potential for building computers a million times more powerful than those available.

The one thing common to all of the current technologies on which computers are based is that they all rely on the transfer of electrical charge for their signals. Scientists in Edinhurgh, however, are now working on a crude computing subsystem which dispenses with electricity as a signal medium and uses light in its place - the optical computer.

Silicon chips have enabled the design of machines capable of processing three or four million instructions a second. Optical switching components which can switch at speeds approaching tenths of bil-lionths of a second and researchers believe this speed fold.
But the most exciting pros-

pect which optical computer technology bolds is based on the non-interfering nature of light. Individual optical components may be able to cope with thousands or even millions of parallel information paths at the same time. If the paths of two or more

electrical signals become close they will interfere with each other. With light, a huge number of signals may travel in closest proximity, even crossing each other's paths without causing interference. The eye, for instance, may detect all of the light rays reflected from an object, despite whatever other light sources may be present, and use the information to reconstruct a perfect image of the

The basic building block of the optical computer is the transphasor — an optical equivalent of the transistor.

The operation of the transphasor is based on the properties of certain crystals. In these crystals, of which 23 have been found to date, the refractive index to be a constant of the constant refractive index, which determines the rate by which light is slowed as it passes through a material, can be altered by changes in the intensity of

But before transphasors can be used to build optical commust be overcome. Some have this year.

already been tackled. The first The computer has worked its transphasors built at Edinburgh's Heriol-Watt Uni versity, for example, needed to be operated at temperatures a few hundreds of degrees below the freezing point of water in order that the active

material, indium antimonide,

displayed the right character-

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Now the Heriot-Watt team. under the leadership of Professor Desmond Smith, has found other materials such as zinc selenide which will operate at more convenient temperatures. The team has also been able to show that simple digital circuits can be built by connecting individual de-

As young as it is, the field of optical computer development is not without controversy. There is a gang of people centred around Bell Laboratories in the US wbo. have been demonstrated try to pretend that gallium arsenide is the answer," says Professor Smith. "There is no. scientific evidence to pretend that gallium arsenide will be can be increased a bundred any better than our own materials. No one has yet made a gallium arsenide de-vice which exhibits gain, is of

steady state and is cascadable, he claims. One critic of Professor Smith's work is John Midwinter. Professor of opto-electronics at University College London. He believes that the technology being applied by the Heriot-Watt team may lead to devices capable of switching in times close to bundredths of billionths of a second but that they would have to wait for as long as a millionth of a second before being able to be switched again, a period similar to that which can be expected from the cheapest silicon chips.

Professor Smith, however, claims that his team has demonstrated recovery times in the region of a thousandth of a millionth of a second.

Professor Midwinter is not yel convinced that a general purpose computer based on optical technology may be possible but be does see applications for optical switching devices in communications applications, But Professor Smith remains firm ly convinced of the potential of his transphasor as the basis of a universal processor. The first universal processor is a lew years away," he admits, but working components for the research worker will be puters a number of problems available from us by the end of



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Schuster 3 is key to battle royal

By Brian Glanville

The long-postponed confrontntion with Bernd Schuster and his wife could not have come at a worse time for the have come at a worse time for the Barcelona manager, Terry Venables. Tomorrow brings the first leg of the mighty European Cap quarter-final with Juventus in the Nou Camp stadium, and the general informed view is that only with Schuster in the team, fully fit and fully committed have Barcelona much chance over the two legs.

have Barcelona much chance over the two legs.

Venubles, who has shown a Job-like patience all season, made a symbolic gesture in relieving Schuster of the captaincy. The bitter irrony is that the West German has no greater admirer or defender than his English manager, who has assured use that hast season he was the finest midfield player in Europe (all the more reason, then, to see him in direct opposition to Platini). Even last declared himself fully fit to play in Bilbao ("It's ensier to come back alive from Vietnam than Bilbao," he has said) Venables continued to defend the player.

But enough is enough. The Barcelona directors recently censured their controversial President, Nunes, for taking too passive an attitude towards Schuster. But it is difficult to know what to do with so schuster. But it is difficult to know what to do with so stubborn a player, with so visibly dominant a wife. The general view is that Gaby Schuster calls the shots and that Schuster, a dazzling presence on the field, is immeasurably less

Schuster has been having laser beam treatment. If he is fit, he will surely plays tomorrow; but who known in what physical, not to mention psychological, con-dition he would be.

Javentus's easy win two Sun-days ago in Bari was ominuous news for Barcelons; it was the Turin club's first away victory for four months and they played superbly in the second baif. When I mentioned to Gordon Cowans, Bari's midfield orchestrator, in Tel Aviv last week that Paul Rideout had hit the Juventus bar in the first few minutes, when the goalkeeper touched his drive, Cowans auswered resignedly that Juventes looked good enough to have raised their game when they wanted. Platini, he said, was superic but then, he had so much help.

The striker, Brizschi, whom Liverpool found so difficult to handle on the Turin ice in the handle on the turn ice in the Super Cup a year ago, has returned after long absence through injury to give a further alternative up front; where the new acquisitions Screnz, he of the dangerous head, and the Dane, Landrup look so effective.
Mauro, the "deep" right winger bought from Udinese scens also to have settled well while Manfredonia, with all memories of his two-year suspension for the fixed odds betting scandal behind him, has strong claims to a place in Italy's World Cup midfield. The former Lazio sweeper was another to join the drastically renewed

Inventus team this season. Then there is Cabrini, whose attacking forays from full-back are as productive as Scirea, the sweeper, has lost some of his pace, but Archibald and the Barcelona attack will not find much given away.

Anderlecht play Bayern Munich in another fascinating European Cop tie. Both teams are in hot contention to retain are in hot contention to retain their League titles, though Bay-ern have ground to make up on Werder Bremen, whose week, Auderlecht were beaten 3-2 by South Korea in a friendly in Brussels, but four of their regu-lar players, including the Belgian Intercationals Vandenhergh and Vandereycken, did not partici-Interoationals

An interesting feature of the Anderlecht midfield is that it includes two players of foreign extraction, who made their names in Italy; Scifo, whose names in Hary; Scho, who parents are Sicilian, but who now plays for Belgium, and Lozano, born in Spain, but back in Belgium after an unhappy season with Real Madrid.

(Brian Glanville is Football Correspondent of the Sunday

FOOTBALL: ATTENTION CENTRES ON EUROPE'S MIDFIELD MEN

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The first of three: Sanchez puts Real Madrid on the way to a 3-0 win over Hercules

Souness impressed by England

Graeme Souness, the captain of Scotland, yesterday briefly changed national allegiance and Joined the growing band of those who are optimistic about England's fate in the World Cup England's fate in the World Cup finals. He believes that the squad that Bobby Robson will take to Mexico this summer will reach at least the semi-finals and could perhaps even win it.

"I know some people don't seem to agree," he said, "but there are a lot of quality players in the current England side. The last two results, in strange places last two results, in strange places where they were on a hiding to nothing, were impressive and I would put them in with France

Kenton Utilities, have indi-

cated that this will be the last

season in which they will support the club, which is losing around £5,000 a week.

The general manager, Ron

Jones, confirmed yesterday that he is having talks with a

number of businessmen who might be interested in forming

a consortium to take over the

struggling third division club.

listen to any reasonable offer preferably from South

Wales,"Jones said. Kenton

have written off more than £1

million which they are owed

for ground improvements, but the buyer would have to pay off a bank overdraft of £250,000 and purchase the

Jarrow-based. company's

shares.A possible starting

price for negotiations is be-

• A £1.2 million sports centre

was opened at Middlesbrough Football Club yesterday after

a six-year delay. The work to

meet fire and safety regula-

tions has been paid for by the

second division club, the

Grounds Improvement Trust,

The sports hall will be used

for five a side football, basketball, volleyball, badminton,

Under-21

squad face

England's attempt to win the European Under-21 champion-

ship for the third time could be

wrecked by the fixtures backlog.
The holders' squad for the first leg of the quarter-final in Denmark on March 12 is in danger

of being halved by club commit-ments, and nine of the 18 selected could miss the trip because of Cup games.

Aston Villa's Steve Hodge, Paul Elliott and Mark Walters

are due to face Oxford in the semi-final of the Milk Cnp - the

same night as the Denmark match and another six players are with clubs still in the FA Cup and who could have replays or delayed sixth-round ties next

Cup calls

and Middlesbrough Borough

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Kenton are prepared to

the best goalkeeper in the world. Hoddle has more ability than anyone else in the game today and, if the bell rolls in the right direction. I'm convinced they will do very well."

Souness recently competed against all of those who will be included in the England party and now, for Sampdoria, he plays every week against those who will in less than three months be defending the world ride. "If they met each other tomorrow" he stated, "I would take England to wio.

"Italy are sure to do well

put up for sale

Cardiff City's owners, table tennis and aerobics. The

weight training and fitness

room has been described as

one of the best in the North A.

second phase planned for the centre will include a snooker

room, a sauna and a solarium.

West Bromwich have trans-

fer-listed Garth Crooks and Mickey Thomas, because they have refused to move in order to

live near the Hawthorns. Crooks, signed from Spurs, lives

in London while Thomas, a Welsh international midfield player, who signed from Chelsea, has his bome in North

The Alblon manager, Ron Saunders, said: "I have spoken

to both players and asked them to move into this area. They

have both declined."I regard it as unprofessional for players to

live so far away from the club

and gave them the opportunity to move nearer. For this reason

they have been placed on the transfer list."

· Andy Strong, the Middles-

brough full back, is to get away

from the English winter.

Strong, who is on the transfer

list, has had his contract

cancelled by mutual consent

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that, in Shilton, England have the best goalkeeper in the world. Hoddle has more ability than anyone else in the same today anyone else in the same today than anyone else in the same today. because it is so fast, so aggressive and so competitive. The step up from there to international level, where everything is conducted at a much slower and more deliberate pace, is a But the Italians in general

have a tremendous respect for the English game and the coaches study the game here to examine why the cir's have been so successful in Europe over the last decade. The only where they were on a hiding to nothing, were impressive and I would put them in with France and Denmark as the strongest of the finalists among the European contingent.

"Bryan Robson's individual contribution is obvious but rephase even more important is "take England to wio.

"Italy are sure to do well over the last decade. The only other setback is going to be the lack of time to prepare properly. "The Italian League season. The Italian League season only at the quarter-final stage, none of the ioternationals will end on April 26 and, although the Cup will be only at the quarter-final stage, none of the ioternationals will

last a formight longer than England's. Souness, who has a year left

on his contract at Sampdoria. thicks that Hoddle, Robson Lineker and Stevens would flourish in his adopted home-land. "The two midlield players would enjoy the space they would be given but Lineker might find it harder. To be a formard in lish is a young forward in Italy is a young man's same

He was more pessimistic about his own nation's World Cup fortunes. "On paper we are the weakest in our group." he admitted. "Our first game against Denmark is so important and we will have done well just to get through to the second round."

ing by because Tooy Dorigo

Villa are still without the suspended Andy Gray, but expect Sueve Hodge, the Eo-

gland under-21 captaio, to recover from a "dead leg."

ham manager, waits for a

fitness test on the versatile

Gary Mabbutt before finaliz-

ing his live-up for the FA Cup fifth-round tie against Everton

Mabbutt, currenly playing in the centre of the defence,

has a knee injury and Shreeve

said: "He has been a kingpin

have also been added to the

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Everton will be boosted by

Spurs squad.

at White Hart Lane.

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Cardiff City to be Oxford in mood for good result

Oxford United, who are transfer list. attempting to reach Wembley Williams. history, are taking a positive approach to Villa Park for Millwall io Japuna. tonight's Milk Cup semi-final first leg. "We are oot going there to defend," Maurice Evans, the Oxford manager,

"Without being over-confi-dent we must be in with a shout after away wios at Chelsea and Manchester City in our last two matches. Villa are not going too well at the moment and we are in the mood to get a good result," he

John Trewick, the Oxford full back, who was carried off at Maine Road on Saturday with stud marks and bruising on his right knee, has made an for us recently. Whatever unexpectedly fast recovery, team I select depends oo his "It surprised me bow quickly fitness." Graham Roberts is John has got over the injury, available again after suspenand although he will have a sion and Clive Allen, Tony hate test, I expect him to play." Galvin and Ovaldo Ardiles Evans said.

Oxford have a slight doubt about the forward Jeremy Charles, who was sent home the return of Paul from training yesterday with a Bracewell, the Eogland midthroat infection, but hope to be unchanged for the long-passed fit after having plaster delayed semi-final. The match now seems cer-

is working in the West Indies. • Jeff Hopkins, Fulham's Welsh international central tain to go ahead at the fourth slight doubt about the full defender, goes into hospital attempt, with Villa likely to for a knee operation on draft in Gary Williams, their back Gary Stevens, who has a knee iojury. Alan Harper will full back who is on the take over if necessary.

Aberdeen yesterday recruited beach close to Pittodrie but felt

Dundee United, to bring them to peak timess for tomorrow's European Cup quarter-final against Gothenburg.

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After training Ferguson said,
"Coming down to Dundee has
been a valuable exercise and
might make all the difference oo
Wednesday night." Ferguson
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squad on Aberdeen's vast sandy

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Meanwhile, Pittodrie is expected to be fit for the quarter-finals of the champions cup. The frost which caused the postponement of Saturday's postponement of Saturday's League game against United showed signs of easing yesterday leaving Ferguson hopeful that the pitch will be fit for tomorrow. Failing that, Aberdeen and Gothenburg could try again on Thursday uight It is in Aberdeen's best in-terests to ensure that the match goes ahead

Aberdeen rescued Price of room in Mexico 'reasonable' Mexico City (AP) - The Tourism Department here has insisted that hotel rates will not

be rising to unacceptable levels during the World Cup finals, to be staged in May and June. The top price for a four-star hotel would be 38,000 pesos and for a three-star hotel 18,000 pesos. The article quoted Alejandro Morones Ochoa, the under-secretary of tourism for operations, as saying that the rates were reasonable and ade-

A statement in the govern-ment newspaper El Nacional said that a maximum price of 48,000 pesos (about £69) would be enforced for five-star hotels.

RUGBY UNION: ENGLAND STILL HAVE PROBLEMS

Simms looks unlikely for vital game with France

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

nition. Eight of England's team

on Saturday were from the Northern division and their

The hamstring injury to has unfolded the North has Kevin Simms, England's centre, received a fair share of recogsustained during the game against Ireland on Saturday, not only prevents him from appearing for the Barbarians against the East Midlands tomorrow al Northampton but casts doubt over his availability for England in their final five nations' championship match against France on March 15.

Looking further ahead it may also affect the England squad which takes part in the international sevens tournament in Sydney on March 22 to 23. Simms is a member of the 11strong party named to travel to Australia under the manage-ment of Martin Green, the England coach.

It is doubt over the centres which delays the announcement of England's team to play France, probably until tomorrow. Fran Clough, a colleague of Simms at Cambridge Univer-sity, hurt a thumb but otherwise came through his first inter-national intact. Under normal circumstances, however, a ham-string injury would need rest for at least three weeks, leaving England seeking a replacement for Simms.

His place was filled on Sat-urday by John Palmer, the Bath captain, who thus won his third cap having played twice against South Africa in 1984. Bath were not pleased to find Palmer still on the beach when England dropped both centres, Jamie Salmon and Simon Halliday, after the heavy defeat against Scotland and it is ironic now that if Simms proves unfit, one of those two may be recalled. Frankly, what England will have to do if they are to beat the French is tackle and make sure of bringing their men down. The French backs have proved time after time this season that they are strong enough to stay on their feet in the now-fashionable smother tackle, and I would not mind seeing Salmon restored to the fold as much for his defen-sive qualities as for his eye for

the main scoring chance.
As this international season

Northeners in th squad, Mark Jermyn and the ageless Andy Ripley from Rosslyn Park Jermyn has proved his value during the Middlesex event and it was Ripley who led the Barbarians to success in the Cathay Pacific-Hong Kong Bank sevens in 1981.



There are only two non-Art of the touch judge

By David Hands

been recognized; increasingly, however, the art of toach-judg-ing is acknowleded as requiring different qualities. The extent of the team work between Clive different quatries. I he extent of the team work between Clive Norling, the Welsh match official during England's game with Ireland at Twickenham on Saturday, and his touch judges Derek Beran and Ken Rowlands, was quite obvious and never more so than in the second minute when Mr Norting had to disallow n try which had already been awarded to Mike Harrison. At the ruck which preceded the "score" Mr Bevan, who will infliciate at England's game with France in Paris on March 15 (his first Five Nation championship appointment), flagged for foul play against Steve Brain, England's hooker. He was quite right to do so. It is a matter for debate whether Mr Norling was right to disallow the try - the incident had no effect on the subsequent run of play - and whether he should have allowed it but restarted the game with a it but restarted the game with a

penalty to Ireland. However, there was no doubting the moral effect of the decision - there could be nothing more salutary for a player than directly to deprive his own side of four, possibly six, points. When the Welsh referees hald

The art of refereeing has long their conference in June, touchjudging will be introduced as part of the conference. Indeed, Mr Bevan blmself gave a lecture on the subject to some 140 Welsh referees six days before the game at Twickenham. And before the third round of the Schweppes Welsh Cup in Janu-ary, all 24 match officials met at Bridgend to discuss touch-indg-

The natural thing to do is to "The natural thing to do is to follow the ball, whereas the touch judge must watch the scrums and line-outs as they break np." Mr Bevan said. "It was something I didn't really enjoy when I started dning it but I don't find it difficult. Concentration is the hardest

part.
Unfortunately the teamwork which leading officials from each national panel huild-up will be dissipated if only two from each of the seven International Board countries involved in the world tournament next year go to New Zealand and Australia. It appears all too likely that match officials there may not know their touch judges and I would have thought that, for the sake of n few more pounds, it would be worth taking the leading three referees from each

Irish bemoan loss of an art

While Old Bushmill may have been in short supply late on Saturday night and early Sunday morning at the Irish headquarters in London, advice to solve the problems that beset Irish rughy was plentiful both from past internationals and from those who not so many years ago bore responsibility for team selection. As night gave way to dawn confusion became more evident but there re-mained ao almost complete unanimity that the ability to scrummage, so far as the Irish are concerned, is a lost art.

The after-match comment of Mick Doyle, the coach, that he wouldn't accept that England were totally dominant in the scrums" provoked almost total disbelief and only succeeded in adding to a steadily growing well of opinion that the Irish plight today is in no small measure due to the almost complete disregard by the Irish coach for this lin and announced tomorrow.

The middle of the front row. facet of play.

part in Ireland's preparation for five nations' championship selectors' time. There is a grow-ing lobby of opinion for the former England and British removal of Fitzgerald, the cap-Lions prop forward, was ab-solutely right when he com-mented in an Irish Sunday newspaper: "It seems to me that the basic preparation wasn't done in terms of scrummaging and it is probably a bit late in the day to do anything about it."
A former Irish and Lions
front row forward called for at
least three intensive scrummaging sessions before the game against Scotland in Dublin on Saturday week, and a little light

relief was brought to the proceedings when the question was posed: "Do you not think it might be better if Doyle took the pack to Lourdes for the weekend The team to meet Scotland

The scrum has played little scrum half and the back row will

tain, but a successor is not easily discernable unless John O'Driscoll, of Londoo Irish, is recalled to the back row. And that would pose a problem of who to leave out between Morwho to leave out between Mor-row who wore the No 6 jersey on Saturday with distinction and plays his rugby for Ulster at No B. and Spillane who, like Lenihan, his Munster colleague, has been playing in fits and starts this season.

Bradley had, admittedly, a difficult task at the base of the Irish scrum, but in truth he has made little or no progress since he won his first cap against Australia in 1984 and has The time may be opportune to put Ulster's Brady under the international microscope. He is faster in thought and deed and his unpredictability may be no bad thing against the Scots.

GOLF

Knox gains

IN BRIEF

Capes aids hunt for 'Goliaths'

The recent 12-metre world championship in Fremantle showed up a possible weakness in many of the syndicates which have challenged for the America's Cup. Rougher con-ditions indicated a need for at least two strong men on each boat to operate the "coffee grinder" winches controlling the foresails (John Nichols writes). Such men were not included in the nucleus of the crew that has been formed for the two boars of the Royal Thames Yacht Club's challenge, so a competition has been organized to find them. Chris Law, one of the British Challenge's nomiin charge of the search. He has enlisted the shot putter. Geoff Capes, to help him find some 20

The competition will be organized at Cougar Marine's yard near Southampton.

CYCLING

Kelly still out in the lead From John Wilcockson

Limel-Brevannes

Sean Kelly comfortably re-tained his leadership of the Paris-Nice race yesterday, Mon-day, when he came fourth in a mass sprint linish at the end of the 92-mile first stage. "I was a long way back coming into the finish straight," Kelly said afterwards.
"There was too much ground

for There were two right-angled bends in the final kilometre which enabled Bruno Wojtinek from Lille and Francis Castaing from Lille and Francis Castaing from Bordeaux to fight out an all-French duel for first place. HIST STAGE (32 miles): 1, 8 Weltinek (F1, 4tr Smin Inec; 2, F Castaing (F1, 3, F Hoste (Bel); 4, 5 Kelly (4re); 5 E Plancksert (Sel), all same time. OVERALL: 1, Kelly, 4tr 12min 20sec; 2, 2 Costerboach (Neth), 5eec behind; 3, A Bondue (F1), 7ac; 4, T Mario (F1), 8ac; 5, J Vendenbroucke (Bel), 12sec; 5, G Leibond (US), 12sec; 7, Weltinek, 14sec; 8, G Ductoe-Lessalle (F1), 14sec;

FOR THE RECORD

unusual triumph From John Ballantine

Coral Springs, Florida

Kenny Knox's unexpected win in the Honda Classic on Sunday was one of the more Sunday was one of the more interesting stories in the history of the US tour. "Kenny who?" one might well ask. Until the professional from Tallahassee held off Andy Bean. John Mahaffey, Jodie Mudd and Clarence Rose to win the \$90,000 first prize by one stroke, his six years professional career. his six-year professional career had been distinguished only by occasional wins on the "mini tour", a circuit for unsuccessful

Knox, who was born in Georgia, stands 5ft 11in, weighs

12:51 IEADBIC FMAL SCORIES: 287: K Knox, 68, 71, 80, 70, 298: A Bean, 69, 69, 77, 73; J Mahaffey, 74, 70, 76, 88: C Roses, 70, 73, 72, 73, 298: 8, Jaeckel 76, 70, 74, 69; 299: T Purtzer 71, 71, 80, 68, British scores: 298: K Brown, 78, 70, 78, 72, 299: S Lyle 76, 67, 79, 75.

OVERSEAS FOOTBALL RESULTS

ARGENTMAN: Racing (Cordoba) 2.
Chacarita Juniors 1: Newell's Okt Boys 1.
River Plate. 1; Velez Sarstield 0.
Independente 0; Genanasia Esgima 2.
Argentnoa Juniors 2: Deportivo Espesiol
1. San Lorenzo 6; Boca Juniors 3.
Estudiantes La Plata 1: Petro Carri Osate
1. Union 0: Platenso 3, Huracan 1:
Temportey 1. Instituto 0.
BELGIAN Waterschat 1. Waregen 0: PC
Liege 2. FC Aniwero 3. AA Geera 2.
Lokeren 1. Cap: Prance Sortans 1. FC
Serzang 0: Standard Liege 1, CS Bruges 2.
BLEGARIAN: Whoshe 6. Domini 1; Sarse
1. Sredets 0: Trains 8, Virstas 1; Star 5.
Lokomotiv Sofie 1: Spanak Pleven 1,
Spaniak Varna 1: Akademik 3, Chemo
More D. Stava 9. Lokomotiv Plovdiv 0:
Pcrin 1, Sirgin 1. Prus 1, Siren 1.
COLORBIAN: Magdalene 1, Junior 2:
Medellin 2, Cali (2; America 3; Naconal 3;
Cucus 1, Sand Fe 1: Quindo (), Caldas ();
Perera 3, Tolime 1; Millionance 3, Bucara-Periora 3, Touton 1, Nancy C. Monaco C.
I FRENCH: Recrees 2, Nice C. Toutouse 1.
Lille C: Touton 1, Nancy C: Monaco C.
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Havre, Strasbeurg v Level.
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Panarhahakos S, PACK C: Panachalia 2,
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Ethratos Y, Kalvimiana 1. Printershakes C, Irakes 3, Olymposics 1;
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Torras 1; Porra 3, Internacional 1;
Sempolici 3, Pesa 3, Internacional 1;
Sempolici 3, Pesa 3, Internacional 1;
Zagiobe Somonate 1, Molor Liblia 1;
Zagiobe I, Loca Picca 8, Washer 1, Odd

PORTUGUESE: Guimerans 5. Braga 3: Porto 5. Belenenses 0: Boarleta 2. Sporting 1: Bentica 2. Penarial 0: Portimonense 2. Salgueiras 0: Covilhe 2. Aves 0: Sarubal 0. Charves 1. SOVIET:Dynamo Tollici 1. Dynamo Klev 1: Dynamo Moscow 3. Zenti Leningrad 4. SPARISH: Las Palmes 2. Cediz 2: Barcelona 4. Valledolid 0: Hercuise 0. Reel Medrid 3: Seville 2. Cela 1: Desaune 1. Real Sociedad 2: Atletico de Madrid 2. Bets 1: Zaragoza 2. Valencia 1: Santander 2. Espanol 2: Atletico de Bibao 2. Gijon 0. der 2. Espaniol 2. Athletic de Bribas 2.
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2 Hannover 98 1; Cotigne 2 Visionality 1.
VUGOSLAV: Hejduk Spira 3, Suljeska Niksic 1; Buducnost Titograd 0, Prisonal 0; Varder 2, Serajevo 1; Red Star Balgrade 2; Valez Mostar 2; OFK Belgrade 3, Oslak 0; Slobode Tudia 3, Pariszan Belgrade 0; Seleziear Sarajevo 2; Volvodina Novi Sad 1; Onnamo Zagreb 1, Oslak Zentica 0; Puetka 2, Dinamo Vinkova 10, Landing 10, Destitonas Paritzan 27; Red Star 28; Velez 29; Hejduk 20; Dinamo Vinkova 20; Dinamo Zegreb 10; Pristina 19. Leading scorers

PRIST DIVISION: Linekar (Evenon) 31;
Newell (Luton, 19 for Wigen) 22; Daton
(Chelseal) 21; Audridge (Oxford) 21;
McAvennik (Weer Ham) 20; Rush (Liverpool) 20; Weish (Liverpool) 18; Hartord
(Luton) 18; Speedie (Chelsea) 17; Sharp
(Evenon) 17; (LIMOT) 13.

(Experion) 17.

SECOND DIVISION: Dirinkel (Norwich) 15;
Serschin (State) 18; Bunn (Hull) 17;
Serschin (State) 18; Bunn (Hull) 17;
Comberley Town v Navbury Town;
(Grandby) 16; Lovel (Midwell) 18;
Comberley Town v Egham Town;
Southwick v Midwely.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: Everion v Liverpool
21; Madden (Bury) 20; Devision (Darby) 15;
AC DELCO CUP: Quarter-Street Hayes v

TODAY'S FIXTURES · FOOTBALL 7.30 unless stated FA CUP: Fifth round: Tottenhear v Everton (8.0). MELK CUP: Semi-finat: First log: Aston

JANUK CUP- Sessi-Rinet: First leg: Aston Villa v Oxford.
FRIST DIVISION: Peetpened: Leicester v Birmingham.
SECOND DIVISION: Bradford v Oldham (at Leeds): Fushem v Charlton; Hull v Shrewsbury; Middlesbrough v Grimsby.
FRISTO DIVISION: Bolton v York; Bournemouth v Lancoln; Brantford v Burlington.
(7.45): Bristol City v Newport (7.45): Chesterfield v Residing; Doncester v Flacispot; Gillingham v Phymouth (8.0); Notis Gourny v Bristol Rovers; Walsell v Wigen.
FOURTH DIVISION: Aldershot v Hersford; Colchester v Burliey; Crawa v Scuntiorpe: Exister v Swindon; Halfitz; v Torquey; Mensifield v Chester; Rochdale v Cirient: Wrednen v Northampton. Torquey: Mansage v Creates; Hod roads v Orient: Western v Northampton. SCOTTISH CUP: Fourth Round: St Mitten v Falluris. SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION: Arbreath v Abion: Berwick v Strantaer; String Abion v Stenhousemur. Postpoued: Queen of the South v Queens Park.

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Town v Wycombe.
GOLA LEAGUE: Darright v Enfield. Bob
Lord Thophys Semitines Rumoom v Stattont Fourth resent: Barnet v Maidstone.
ANUTPART LEAGUE: Goole v Southport.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Bit Detow Cap.
Third round: Aylesbury v Dudley (at Tring).
Semi-first: Sepoed lag: Troveridge v
Chelmatord.

Chelmsford.

VALDPIALL OPEL LEAGUE: Pramier divisions Windstor & Eton v Harrow Borough.

Pirst divisions: Basildon United v Boretram Wood: Leyton Wargete v St. Albaris City: Masterhead utild v Harrow Town; Oxford City v Bromley: Tibury v Lewes, Second division nords: Clapton v Cheshunt: Herefield United v Chelton v Cheshunt: Herefield United v Chelton v Reservices Second division south: Letchworth GC. Second division south: Aracinell Town v Whyteleste (7.45); Camberley: Town v Newbury Town; Southwick v Molesey.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: Everton v Liverpool (7.0).

POOLS FORECAST by Paul Newman Saturday March 5 unless FOURTH DIVISION Aidershot v Halifax Burnley v Chester Exeter v Colchester (Hereford v Mitampton Mansfield v Camb U FA CUP SIXTH ROUND

1 Mansfield v Carrib II
1 Prestor v Crewe
2 Rochdale v Swindon
X Scunthorpe v Cherit
X Wreathern v Port Vale
Not en coupons: Stockport v Torquey (Friday);
Trannere v Southerni (Friday).

GOLA LEAGUE

1 Barnet v Dagenham X Dartford v Scarboro 1 Enfield v Nurseaton 1 Encaley v Wycombe X Kepening v Weymith 1 Kiddmetr v Stattord 1 Tellingt v Maintsona

1 Kiddmistr v Stattord 1 Tellord v Maidstone 1 Widstone v Chaltenhim

MILTPART LEAGUE

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X Stradford v Blackburn 1 C Palace v Middlesbro 1 Grimsby v Oldnam 2 Leeds v Huddersfid 1 Portsmit v Barnsley 1 Strawsbry v Fulham 1 Stoke v Hud X Sunderd v Charten X Sunderind v Chariton 2 Wimbledon v Norwich THERD DIVISION 2 Botton v Reading
2 Bournersh v Cardinf
1 Bristol R v Plymth
1 Chesterfid v Bristol C
1 Grängham v Blackpool
1 Newport v Lincoln
1 Wassall v Dorcassar
Not on coupens: Darlingion v York (Sunday);
Swansea v Brantford;
Wolves v Rotherham.

2 Bangor v Morecambe 1 Beedon v Caernarion 1 Geteshead v Schoon

Famborough Town. Quarter-final re-player Hampton v Leatherhead: Uxbridge v Epson & Ewell. Fourth round replays: Uxbridge v Epsom & Ewell; Hampton v Leatherhead

TREBLE CHANCE (home learns): toswich. Leicester. Bratford, Sundertand, Wimbledon, Hersford, Wraxform, Darsford, Kertering, Avr. East Frie, Partick.
ABST DAAWS: Laicester. Wraxform, Kettering, East Frie, Partick.
AWAYS: Reading, Chester, Orient, Morecante, Arbroath.
HOMES: Grimpham, Addershot, Maneselo, Enfeld, Frickley, Kidderminster. Weakistone, Oswestry, Rhyl, Durfletmine, Quien of the South, St. Johnstone.
FIXED ODDS: Homes: Chelsee, Crystel Palace, Glissgham, Adershot, Maneseld, Aways: Huddersfield, Carditt, Cetsc. Drawe: Leicester, East Frie, Partick.

1 Oswestry v Goals 1 Rhyl v Mossley 1 Worksop v Workington FOOTBALL FA CUP: Fifth round: Postponed: Wattord v Bury, Fifth round replay: Postponed: Shaf-held Wednesday v Derby; Malwall v South-SCOTTISH FA CUP PIFTH ROUND 2 Hibernian v Celtic ampron
SCOTTISH CEIP: Fourth round: Postponed: St
Mrein v Fascht, Alice v Motherwei,
MRJTPART LEAGUE: Postponed: Horwich v
Mossley, Hyde v Morearthe.
GOLA LEAGUE: Postponed: Kddarminster v Not on coupons: Alich or Motherwell v Dundes Unigd; Kamilton or Hearts v St Meren or Fallicitic, Dundes v Aberdeen, SCOTTISK FRST Wycombo.

BÁHGKÖK: King's Cup: First round: South
Korse 2. Denmark 2: Thalland B 0, North
Korse 2. X Ayr v Chole
X Sast Fife v Forter
1 Mostrose v Morton
X Pareck v Dumburon
Not on coupone: Airchie
Brechin, Alos v Falicht
(provisional), Handiton v
Kilmarnock (provisional). BADMINTON

SCOTTISH SECOND Berwick v Albion 1 Serwick v Ablon
1 Duntermiline v On's Pk
1 E Straing v Stenham
1 Mesdowbrik v Skriting
1 O of Sth v Cowdenbih
1 St Johnstone v Raith
2 Stransper v Arbroath

EASTERN CONFERENCE

BASKETBALL

ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE Withern Town v
Coopestat Town.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Cartbridge
University v Territorial Army (Grenge
Fload, 2,15).

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RHEINKAUSEN: West German Open: Women's aingles finst: Y J Kim IS Korea) bit H Troke (Eng.) 11-1, 8-11, 12-10, Mixed doubles final: D C Lee and M H Chung (S Korea) bit M Dew 2nd G Griss (Eng.) 10-15, 18-17, 15-9, urrecord Pacific Division W L Pct GB Los Angelas Lakers 43 18 .729 — Portand Trail Blazers 30 34 .459 15½, Phoenix Suns 22 38 .367 21½, Seettle SuperSonles 21 38 .356 22 Golden State Warmors 19 43 .306 25½,

CARLSBERG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPCounter-final play-offs, first leg: Simmingham
Bullets 86 (Shoulders 31, Hays 20, Branch
17). Portsmouth 92 (Saughter 33, Dasse 20,
heb 14); Brunel Ducks; Unondes and Camden
87 (Floberts 26, Kelleytrew 18, Polits 17),
fearn Polyach Murgster 122 (Bontrager 40,
Clam 31, Lloyd 13); Chetal Palase 91
Jennings 33, Seaman 19, Jenenich 19,
Manchester Gelets 94 (Kerniedy 35, Brookins
25, Soott 10); Walkers Chaps Laicester 95
fyoung 42, Vaugher 24, James 14); Shapp
Manchester Gelets 94 (Flowers 33, W Brown
18, Jones 16); Matton 170phy Seme-finals,
Calitardale 115, Bratton 89 (Calibridale visit
Phymouth in final, March 9);
LNFTED STATES: National association
(NBA); Boston Cellius 129, Detroit Prisons
109; Washington Busides 125, Maragines
Bucks 104; Kolana Pacers 129, Los Angeles
Cappers 112. ICE HOCKEY HORTH AMERICA: Risbonal League (NHL): Edmonton Oilers 2, Philadelphia Piyers 1 (sed): Washington Capitas 4, New York Rangers 2; Hantord Winelers 4, Boston Bruins 1, Chicago Black Hawks 6, 31 Louis Buss 4; New Jersey Devis 6, Winnipeg Jets 4, Calgary Flar Los Angeles kings 1. Wales Conference Patrick Division

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Vancouver Can 19 40 B 44 231 308
Los Angeles Kings 20 38 6 45 230 314 **RUGBY UNION**

VILLEFRANCE-SUR-SAONE: France 3, 10. Scorland B 12 CLUB MATCH: Concelled: Newport v Ebbw

SPEEDSKATING CALGARY, Alberta: World kinlor champion-place Winners: Merc 1,500er; B Snettov (USSR), 715 B 3,000er; B Snettov (USSR), 4:14 34 500er; A Zirline (USSR), 40.07. Womer: 3,000er; M Garbrecht (EG), 453 51. 1,000er; L Yuberozové (USSR), 1,27,65.

TENNIS PRINCETON, New Jersey: US women's indeer: First round (US unless stated) M.L. Pertek of N. Sodoro 6-4, 6-1, R. Reogn (If) or P. Casale 6-3, 6-1, 1. Preced (US) or M. V. Nostrand 3-6, 6-2, 7-6; A. Hokkova (Czt) bt C. Joissant (Switz) 4-6, 6-1, 6-2.

CRICKET SHEFFIELD SHELD: Syemey: Queensland, 339 and 95-3, drew with New South Wales, 440 pt of 06 New 117, M Taylor 89, Pertits South Australia, 432 and 181-6 dec (G Bistrop 50), drew with Wiestern Australia, 433-5 dec (M Veitte 107, R Garrell 92, W Andrews 82 n o) and 128 for 816 Wood 84 n c. G Small 4-47, J Pyles 4-27).

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

perts alike say he just cannot WBA little."
lose to Gerrie Coetzee. of Another Wembley tonight.

road from my place (he used to be an Ivor "The Engine" Jones supporter) said: "Yes. I've got a couple of pounds on Bruno because he cannot lose. Because Terry Lawless and Mickey Duff are too clever. They would not have taken this fight if Bruno could be beaten. I have seen this Coetzee on the telly fighting Page and that other fellow and this Coetzee is no good at all. Too slow. I think Bruno will be too fast for him. And that is saying something."

Coetzee's American trainer, the highly experienced Jack McCoy, laughs at this kind of talk which almost makes the former world ehampion into a no-hoper. "Sure, Mickey Duff knows his fighters and makes very few mistakes. But it does go wrong sometimes. He went wrong with Palomino when he beat Stracey; and he was wrong ahout Bruno and

McCoy maintains that Bruno's connections are going by Coetzee's last two contests. Yes, he wasn't good." Mc-Coy says, "He wasn't right for those fights. Against Page his right hand, that had those 15 operations, was giving trouble and they put five different shots into him to kill the pain. He was so sedated that he said before the fighl I don't feel nervous at all'. When he fought Quick Tillis he was not himself. He had had 'flu and his mother had died a little before. Tillis is not a bad fighter to beat. Tillis had Page and Truth Williams on the

McCoy says that there is nothing wrong with Coetzee this time and that the South African will knock out Bruno early. "You know when he fought Dokes he was the underdog but he said to me 'sometime I am going to catch him and when I do ...'. He did

With an appetite for inter-

national sporting achievement made all the keener by their country's growing isolation, mil-lions of South Africans will tonight be gloed to their tele-vision sets for the Coctzee-

Bruno encounter.
"Gerrie Camp Hits Back At Critics" was the headline splashed across the Johannes-

burg Citizen newspaper yes-terday - and that was on the

This patriotic fervour is con-

fined, it must be added, to white

South Africans. As for the far bigger legion of black boxing

followers they will be rooting almost to a man for Bruno. Or

Everyhody's money is on in the tenth and turned Dokes Frank Bruno. Fans and ex- over onto his face to win the Another observer. Doug South Africa, in the World Bidwell, whose heavyweight Boxing Association heavy- Glen McCrory has been spar-weight final eliminator at ring with Coetzee, concurs. Glen McCrory has been spar-The ironmonger down the Coetzee except on cuts and he

does cut," he said. Bidwell, who as Alan Minter's manager worked elosely with McCoy has been in attendance on the South African for the past eight days. He has watched Coetzee closely as he sparred with MacCrory. Bidwell maintains that the South African is more than capable of taking care of himself against Bruno. "Coetzee is very well and fit. He is heavy but I was surprised to see how light he is on his feet. He has got a very good left hook and a very fast right hand and good body moves. He had no trouble catching McCrory. I know McCrory is no Bruno but Coetzee wasn't even trying. If Bruno beats Coetzee it will tell us something else about Bruno. I want Bruno to win because it will do British boxing good and fill the small holes, but really Coetzee looks too good. I cannot understand the book-split decision after flooring the

Bidwell picked up some out which gave him the title, interesting snippets of conver- which he lost to Page in 1984 sation that shows that Coetzee in the controversial eighth is determined to win. When round that lasted 3min 50sec. McCoy says Coetzee is going to win you know that he is going to." Bidwell said. "Once, just as I was leaving the South African's hotel and was walking away. I heard Coetzee saying to McCoy 1 really want to beat this Bruno'. McCoy said 'you will, no trouble'."

with tough men in the world: he knocked out Leon Spinks in one; he lost to John Tate when they met for the vacant WBA title in 1979; he was knocked out by Mike Weaver io 13 rounds but not before Career Won 30, Drew 1, Lost 4

already under way.

World Boxing Association (WBA) for South African box-

ing - they even has a South
African on their executive stems from their leader's regular
visits here, convincing them that
boxing is indeed multi-racial. It
is. But it is not equal, even for
the professionals.

the professionals.

"Getting more fights is the vital ingredient to reach the top." Marcus Nkosi, a hlack boxing promoter, points out.

"And black boxers simply don't get enough action." They de-



having the American almost out on his feet in the eighth; he lost to Renaldo Snipes on a makers making Bruno the American twice; he drew with favourite. I think Coetzee will the present WBC champion. surprise everybody and could stop Bruno early."

Pinkion Thomas, in 1983; then came the Dokes knock-

Ring records **GERRIE COETZEE** 10 LATEST BOUTS

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Jan. 22 Pinklon Thomas L dec 10 Sept. 23 Michael Dokes W KO 10 (Won WBA heavyweight title) 1984

Multi-racialism does not mean equality for black boxers in South Africa

unifing professional boxing, but fights, far more profitably. the year and a half of turbulence in the black townships has lieve white husinessmen are

Body blows from reformers still not enough

Black boxing promoters be-lieve white husinessmen are now

starting to realize that burgeon-ing black buying power will make sponsorship of black bouts

and boxers a lucrative prospect.
Nevertheless, hlack boxing
observers all claim that white
talent is being nurtured gently
towards the top while blacks

have to rely on pure boxing skill

Take the rise of Arthur "The Black Prince" Mayisela, who

was contemptoonsly ignored by the boxing establishment as it lavished its attention on the

The two boxers eventually met

late last year in Sun City. "I don't think I've ever been to a molti-racial boxing tournament in this country where racist remarks have been absent."

wrote the boxing correspondent of the anti-government Weekly Mail newspaper. "But the racial

in London recently. How Bruno copes with that situation will tell us whether he is capable of going further down the championship road. If our man becomes paralysed, as against Cummiogs and With all this experience Bonecrusher, the South Afri-

> FRANK BRUNO Born: 16 November, 1961 **10 LATEST BOUTS**

Coetzee must be able to land

at least two solid shots on Bruno's ehin, the kind that

took Bidwell's hreath away

when sparring with McCrorv

Mar. 13 Juan Figueroa ... W KO 1 May 13 James Smith ... L KO 10 Sept. 25 Ken Lakusta W KO 2 Nov. 6 Jeff Jordan W rsf 3 Nov. 27 Phil Brown W pts 10

Mar. 26 Lucien Rodriguez W rsf 1 Nov. 1 Anders Eklund .. W KO 4 European treavyweight title)
Dec. 4 Larry Frazier W KO 2
Career: Won 27, Lost 1

The unrated black boxer won easily, leaving the white man, No 4 on the WBA rankings, unconscious on the canvas for more than a minute.

The boat had gone on despite the tragic outcome to the previous contest in which Jacob "Dancing Shoea" Morake had been battered into a come by a young white boxer, Brian Mitchell. As attendants vainly gave Morake an oxygen mask, the crowd was asked by the ring amouncer to give a big hand for the loser, and be then asked them to cheer the Australian cricket rebels in the crowd.

cricket rebels in the crowd.
"Dancing Shoes' was carted out like a fallen gladiator on his shield, and in no time two more

shield, and in no time two more gladiators entered as if nothing extraordinary had happened," the Weekly Mail wrote.

It would be unfair to pillory

South African boxing on one

can will have little trouble in finishing him off. If there is in fact nothing the

matter with Coetzee and he is fit to go the distance and is keen to win as McCoy says:
"because he wants to live in America and wants to be a part of the hig tournament coming up to find the undisputed world champion" and can recapture some of his old fire. Bidwell and McCoy may well be right that he will win.

However it is equally hard to see how, with £5 million resting on Bruno's next contest with the world champion. Tim Witherspoon, Bruno's hackers, who are the shrewdest in the game, could have made a mistake by putting him in too early with someone who could set his career back severely. Either they know something about Coctzee's form that others do not or they have made a bad mistake in trying to take a short cut to a world title bout by taking on the world number one in this heavyweighl

But many black boxing experts and the boxing public believe the events of that night typified official insensitivity towards black boxers

They point out that, unlike every other sport, the controlling body of professional boxing is not folly independent from gov-erament interference. A govern-

ment minister selects each member of the boards from two

ames submitted by the boards

All in all, the claim by South

All in all, the claim by South Africa's WBA executive member Mike Mortimer that tonight's Coetzee-Bruno bout, continuing despite anti-apartheid protest, is "a victory for fairness and for all our boxers black and white," may ring somewhat hollowly in the empty beginn a bull of the black town

boxing halls of the black town-

reaches of the Thames and Pangebouro under their coach, Sieve Royle.

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"A. Blue

Caribbean leave

Andrew Strong, the transfer-listed Middleshrough full back.

has had his contract cancelled

final climinator.

CRICKET: ITINERARY OFFERS NO LET-UP

England's players must not look for excuses

Believing or at least hoping, that their form and fortunes can only get better, England meet West Indies for another one-day matches. If nothing else, this international here today. This will be followed oo Friday by the second Test match, sponsored by Cable and Wireless. From oow until the end of the tour the only relief from playing against the full force of the West Indien attack will come against Barbados in 10 days' time, and even they can put into the field, when they choose to, a team of Test strength.

Ticket being as they are, there will be less short-pitched bowlib less short-pitched bowlib less short-pitched bowlib less short-pitched bowlib to Indian in the Test matches. If nothing else, this should make it a less hazardous against Park where the only side to have reached a total of 250 this season was West Indien attack will come against that the first Test match. The pitch for today will be better than that, it has had the grass taken off it unlike the one for the Trimidad match or, more ominously, for Friday's Test.

the need is for a really concerted effort, not to look for a brighter side. The rules for one-day

ENGLAND XI: First Innings 229 (R T Robinson 76; A H Gray S tor 50) and 101 for 4 dec

Second Innings
P V Simmons e Gooch b Foster
M Richardson e Gooch b Taylor
N Gomez e Slack b Edmonds
A Rapih not out
O I Mohammed c Foster b Willey

when they choose to, a team of Test strength.

To say how acutely disappointing the tour has been so far, from England's point of view, is hardly necessary. In my experience there has not been another quite like it, particularly as hopes were so high at the start. That dangerous stage has now been reached when the players will be tempted to fall back on excuses rather than work on improvements.

It would be a help if Gower, as captain, were not so confoundedly casual in the way be comes in and gets out. Having had no rime yet to catch this mood, Slack looked in a class of his own against Trinidad on Sunday. He is obviously not that or anything like it, but to say that it appeared that way may give an idea of how urgent the need is for a really concerted effort, not to look for a brighter.

finally shut England out of the first Test match, and although not quite in the top flight as a wicketkeeper he misses very little standing back to the fast

owlers.
No more than 1,000 people. all told, can have watched the match against Trinidad. That the attendance was affected by the elamour for a boycott is oot in doubt, though we shall get a better idea today of the full extent to which the public are Total (4 wkts) 116 staying away. Trinidad's present economic difficulties may also partly have accounted for their being so few at last weekend's game.

Probably the best that can be hoped for today is a crowd of 10,000 (in favourable circumstances it might be double that) and perhaps a half-full ground for the first two days of the Tesa match. There were, in fact, fewer for the first Test match here on England's last tour, when there was also a small boycort, can-vassed because of Deryck wassed because the beginning of the West Indian side. What the undecided may find irresistable this time is the hkelibood of a couple of West Indian victories. Off the field, as well as on it, there is this battle of wills. there is this bande of wills.

At yesterday's practice Gower had a session with "Fred" the bowling machine, operated by Boh Willis, the assistant manager, who is getting rather good at it. The purpose was to get Gower working on what, or what not, to play at outside his off stump. The fact that Robinson was missing from the practise with an upset stomach improved Slack's chances, as it were, of being thrown to the solutions today.

Day of rain Christchurch (AP) - Only 9: minutes of play, either side of lunch, was possible on the fourth day of the second Test between New Zealand and Australia here yesterday and the

game is now likely to end in a draw. Light rain throughout the morning delayed the start

Total (2 wkts) _____. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15. 2-32

Blowing whistle on England

five wickets. However, the sbock went beyond even this. I had always believed that the West Indians are; but when Foster was bowling his ever-so-English seamers, he was bowling to an empty ground. One might have been back watching the claudestine rituals of the county champiou-

To spend one's first day in any new country is to shatter a against a terrifying background cluster of preconceptions; but to arrive in Trinidad was like missing a step in the dark. For a start. England were whipping a West Indian side: when play ended on Saturday, Trinidad were 92 for eight and Foster had with the triple of the rest that the rest was guilt that lenced the rest.

There were crowd noises, but There were crowd noises, but these came from outside the ground: a cacophony of hooting and whistling. Along the street they blew their whistles, shouted, and implemed passing motorists from placards: hoot if you hate apartheid! And pooppoop they replied. And, th they may listen to the cricket on their transistors, the Trinidadiship.

What is more, I had always ans will not go to the cricket to believed that West Indian watch England.

This may well have changed when the international matches start, but many feel it would be an act of betrayal.

The Trinidadians believe that watching any cricket side full of South African rebels is supporting apartheid. This is not mere mischief-making. True, the political implications for inter-national cricket do not turn on such basic gut instincts and those have, so far, kept the Trinidadians from the cricket. But the people staying away are not staying away because they are trouble-makers. They are staying away because they hate apartheid. To the last, at least, there is but one response. Poop

Simon Barnes

ATHLETICS

Sprinters are a world apart

By Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

Allan Wells and Mike
MeFartane were inseparable
when they finished the last
Commonwealth Games, winning a gold medal each after
they had dead-heated in the 200
metres final. But they will be
separated by thousands of miles
when the festivities for this
war's Commonwealth Games.

Lerday for the official
announcement of the Distillers
Commonwealth Friendship
Journey. The first leg will start
on April 24 from Edinburgh's
Meadowbank Stadium, the
venue for the athletics in this
year's Cames. Wells will run,
"or possibly walk" what for him
is the marathon distance of two

For Wells is running the first leg of a relay, sponsored by the Distillers company, which will but the final part of the journey lake a scroll — signed in Edinburgh yesterday — throughout the 58 countries of the Commonwealth, and the scroll to Lynn Davies for MeFarlane is doing the last leg.

Paul Martin

Paul

RUGBY LEAGUE

year's Commonwealth Games is the marathon distance of two in Edinburgh start next month. miles to Edinburgh Castle. The scroll will be flown to

and the scroll to Lynn Davies for titleg. Wales, who will then pass it oo The two sprinters, along with to McFarlane, who is expected Linsey Macdonald, who like to return it to Edinburgh on July them has had a long saga of 10, two weeks before the Games

organizing committee said that sponsorship was well on the way to the £128 million necessary for the Games to break even.
Unfortunately the 1.000 seat
reduction imposed on
Meadowbank Stadium, under
the safety measures proposed in the Popplewell Report, means not only a loss of £56,000 revenue hut embarrassment because of the huge demand for tickets which will have to go

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St. Washing

Winning team
Miami (AP) - Bob Wollek, of
France, and Paola Barilla, of
Italy, won the Grand Prix of Miami, completing 128 laps on a 1.87-mile street course in a Porsche 962 and finishing 28.974sec ahead of Danny Sulli-van and Drake Olson, of the United States.

ICE HOCKEY

TENNIS

Chance to move out of an orbit

else they will not even be aware
that the bout is taking place.
For while apartheid in boxing
is reeling from a barrage of body

ger enough action. They depend largely on black promoters
like himself who in turn face an
ophill battle to attract predominantly white-owned companies

blows, it stobbornly refuses to as sponsors. The result is that throw in the towel. Significant white promoters, who predomiprogress has been made in mate, can arrange far more

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

During the five weeks from their dreams in greater clarity, April 14 to May 18 be glamour of the international tour will be concentrated in Amelia Island anxious to arrest a slide to During pril 14 to May to of the international tour will concentrated in Amelia Island (Florida), Indianapolis. Forest Hills, Monte Carlo, Berlin and Rome. These will be faraway places, somewhere in dreamland, for the cager young men competing at the Finglish circuit. The quality of the tennis will be modest. But the competition will be red-blooded because every match woo will be a small step towards tills, Berlin and the rest

Everyone has to start some-where. This LTA series comes Everyone has to start somewhere. This LTA series comes into the lowest international categories for men and women, but competitors will at least have precarious footholds on the bottom of the ladder. They will be playing for meagre rewards in terms of money and ranking points and the competition will be tough. Most of the players will find it hard to make ends meet. But they will learn much in this gruelling training school and a few will graduate to the hig league—either by winning consistently and thus improving their rankings, or by doing just either by winning consistently and thus improving their rankings, or by doing just enough to earn a wild card place in some tournament offering more money and more ranking points.

That chance to break out of the satellite orbit, to visualize

Nystrom too good for Noah

La Quinta, California. (Reuter) – Joakim Nystrom, of Sweden, the fifth seed, outclassed a listless Yannick Noah, of France, 6-1, 6-3, 6-2, on Sunday to win the \$405,000 (£270,000) La Quinta Classic lournament in 1hr 41 min.

After breaking the service of Noah, ranked seventh in the world, in the second and fourth game of the first set. Nystrom raced to a 5-0 lead, dominating with brilliant passing shots while the Frenchman lunged helplessly, and took the set in

Nystrom. ranked ninth in the world, did not lose a point on hisserve in the second set, while Noah struggled with his usuallyfierce first serve and came in on weak approach shots which made him an easy target for passing shots. Nystrom, who was rarely made to display his excellent return of serve, won the set 6-3 with a brilliant forehand crosscourt passing crosscourt passing shot at full stretch.

Noah discovered only as he walked on court that the match was the best of five sets and it seemed to dellate both his physical and mental resolve. All

One giant too many for Jordan

Oakland (API — Chris Lloyd ended Kathy Jordan's giant-killing spree with a 6-2, 6-4 victory in the final of the \$150.000 Virginia Slims of California tourseases to a Sur California tournament on Sun-day. Jordan, who was unseeded, had beaten Marijna Navratilova, the top seed, and Hana Mandlikova, seeded third.

point lobs and crisp crosscourt passing shots that often forced shot. Jordan to lunge awkwardly, just oul of reach, as she rushed to the

The venues for the mini-wars

Lloyd's key weapons on the medium-fast carpei in the Oak-land Coliseum Arena were pin-the set came in the sixth game that the first set. Lloyd's second break of land Coliseum Arena were pin-the set came in the sixth game. with a fine forehand passing

Breaks of service were ex-changed in the third and fourth Lloyd, who has now won games of the second set, but three tournaments this year. Jordan failed to hold service in broke Jordan's service after two the seventh-

ROWING

Trembling in the role of favourites

clement was never more evident than in this light." Exhibition of appalling taste. But many hlack boxing experts and the boxing public believe the

Ever since the Boat Race of seven-minute rows during sponsors. Ladbrokes, made which they were able to notch cambridge favourites for this year's race, the pressure has been telling on the Light Blues.

Neil Campbell. Cambridge's who have hardly found the cold.

year's race, the pressure has been telling on the Light Blues, who have hardly found the cold snap to their liking either.

The latest among their walking wounded is John Pritchard, their Olympic and world silver medal winner, who has a viral on the meanume, can be infection. Over the present of the meanume, can be seen telling on the meanume, can be seen telling on the meanume. infection. Over the weekend at Kingston, Cambridge borrowed Goldie's Downing oarsman, Charlie Green and Cambridge's non-rowing president, Quintus Travis was even pressed into

service.

Cambridge can ill-afford many more mishaps with less than a month to the Boat Race on March 29 13.151. While Oxford undergo a metamorphosis this weekend and defend the Reading Head of the River race. rowing as Isis. Germa the K-ading Head of the River race, rowing as Isis, Cambridge face an important trial on the Tideway against the ambitious British Lightweight

ambitious British Lightweight
eight designate, who roughed up
Oxford not so long ago.
Oxford arrived on the Tideway on Saturday just in time to
glimpse Cambridge running off
to Kingston to seek kinder
water. Daniel Topolski was
somewhat amused. "All they have to do is row round a bend or two. The water is as flat as a pancake," the Oxford coach said. The point was, however, that the Tideway during the week had driven Cambridge round the bend.

Topoleki initially had become

rom his flancee, who is working Topolski initially had his own problems on Saturday, Oxford being defeated by a good half-length by a respectable Thames Ballesteros out Rowing Club eight in a race between Hammersmith and Putney Bridges before shaking off their complacency in a series

Salford lay

on carpet exhibition

By Keith Macklin

Salford, who are planning to lay an artificial pitch at the end of the season, will play Widnes on such a surface in an ex-hibition match at the Luion Town football ground.

Salford, who were promoted to the first division this season, have ambitious plans for a multi-sports stadium with a centrepiece of artificial turf like the Kenilworth Road carpet. Widnes have already an-

nounced a similar scheme, and the two clubs have joined forces to play each other in an ex-hibition match in April or May. John Wilkinson, the Salford can lay the ideal surface, we can open up our ground at The Willows to a host of other sports like football, cricker and bowling. We will develop our dressing room, grandstand and other sporting facilities at the same time, and we envisage a scheme whose total cost will be around £750.000.

"We have promises of private finance and have a good relationship with the local authority, with the possibility of financial support from them, particularly if the stadium is made available for community

Mr Wilkinson and the Salford commercial manager. David Tarry, will visit Kenilworth Road on Thursday to talk to Luton officials and examine the applical turf amificial turf.

Savannah. Georgia (AP) — Widnes have placed their Severiano Ballesteros has withdrawn from the TPA Atlantie Coast golf tournament, which Lord Gormley, on the transfer

get just deserts

lie at the bottom of the premier division, set a record for ineptitude on Sunday.

Nottingham has become a tattleground this season. In January their match with Murrayfield was abandoned after a series of on-ice battles. Saturday's fight night arose from one incident in the third period. As the Ayr goalkeeper, John McCrone, fell on the pack, a Nottingham forward, Jim Keyes, skated in to try to gain possession, but all he received was a stick across the back. That was the opening bell for both teams to leave their benches and begin to brawt.

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The referee, Ken Bullock, sent the teams off for 20 minutes while he worked out the peo-aines. He assessed 24 penalties, including nine match penalties, five game misconducts and six mainer.

Nottingham's share added up to 100min and Ayr's was 128min, a total of 3hr 48min in in a 60-minute game. All was calm when the finnt 13 minutes got under way. There was no raore fighting, no more penalties and no more scoring, and the Panthers won 4-2.

Brawling players

Nottingham and Ayr fought it out on Saturday and received the most penalties ever awarded for one incident in the Heineken League, and Peterborough, who lie at the bottom of the premier division, set a record for ineptitude on Sunday.

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Gold on ice

Sapporo (AP) — TheSouth Korean speed skater Bae Ki-tae beat Akira Kuroiwa of Japan by 0.45sec in the men's 1,000m yesterday as he and a Chinese woman skater ended Japan's gold medal monopoly in the first Winter Asian Games. Wang Xiuli of China won the women's 1.000m. in which Seiko Hashimoto of Japan fell on the second turn.

Turner cash flow

And the Panthers won 4-2.

Peterborough would be grateful for a win, because the Prates have managed to pick up just one point in 27 games. Their 11-3 loss at Streatham was their 21st defeat in succession, surpassing the mark set by Southampton last season.

Peterborough's latest high spot was their promotion last season, hut they look destined to out.

**Mike Turner, the secretary-manager of Leicestershire County Cricket Club, received 446-300 from his testimonial last season. Turner, who has guided the side since 1969 through their most successful period, said: "The response has been fantastic considering that the four restimonial matches I had organized were all washed out."

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SNOOKER

Davis sees White as biggest threat

By Sydney Friskin

Steve Davis considers Jim White in be his main rival for the world title which Davis is aiming to regain. White has beaten him twice this season in the Mercantile Credit Classic and the Benson and Hedges Masters tournament - and they could meet again in the quarter-finals of the world champion-ship, starting in Sheffield on April 19.

"This will be a tough game, "This will be a tough game, a real war and whoever wins could take the world title," Davis said after defeating Willie Thorne 12-7, in the Duiux British Open final at Derby on Sanday. White is taking part in the Benson and Hedges Irish Masters tournament at Goffs. Co. Kildgre. nament at Goffs, Co. Kildare, from April 8 to 13, whereas Davis is not. He will, however, be at Bournemouth to captain England in the World Team Championship from March 20

Davis left London by gir yesterday morning for n tour of Muscat and Hung Kong along with three other members of the Romford Matchroom team Dennis Tnylor, Terry Griffiths and Tmy Meo. The fifth mem-ber, Willie Thurne, stayed at home because of business

The four men will play a few exhibition matches in Muscat, where the game is rapidly gaining popularity, and go on to Hong Kong for more exhibition matches and a promotion cam-

BASKETBALL

Leicester's delight and dread

By Nicholas Harling

A Wembley place later this nonth beckons for Walkers Crisps Leicester, a club which will go out of existence unless it finds itself a new sponsor for

The curious state of affairs was confirmed at the weekend by the club's chairman, Chris Worcester, after Leicester had surprised the new first division champions. Sharp Manchester United, by winning the first leg of their quarter-final play-off 96-

Walkers are not renewing their two-year £70,000 annual sponsorship, which had been preceded by two years' support from Planters, a subsidiary com-pany in the Nahisco group. "If we don't attract a new sponsor we won't be in the Nanonal League next season. It's as simple as that," Worcester said.

Sponsorship is needed to purchase and pay American players without whom Leicester would have no intention of carrying on, even though they have three England inter-nationals in their squad. "We won't play with just an England team. That is not fair to the public, the players or anyone, Worcester explained.

Leicester are one of many clubs envying the kind of sponsorship financing the two top clubs. United and Team Polycell Kingston, not to mention that recently renewed by HomeSpare for struggling Bol-

"It's a relatively expensive sport to compete in, especially the first division, and obviously there is money about," Worces-ter said. "But we feet we should be attractive to sponsors who want to get in nationally."

That is certainly true since Leicester, who reached the na-tional championship play-off finals at Wembley last year, are poised to do so again. Yet, since ind Coope have just announced that they will not succeed Walkers as Leicester's sponsor, Worcester is left ruing the fact that a club whose nucleus is based around local players, may follow Doncaster out of the

Lcicester go into tonight's second leg against United at Stretford with the advantage, chiefly because United, themselves comeback specialists, squandered a 13-point lead after five minutes of the second half. With the scores level at 92-92, the champions might still have won bad Gardner not missed two shots to the last half minute.

Each time. Leicester grabbed the rebounds with first Vaughan and then James sinking the vital baskets. It was United's first defeat in 21 domestic fixtures.

Birmingham Bullets were another team to waste a lead, in their case one of 52-42 at halftime against Portsmouth, who won 92-86 with Slaughter (33 points) sinking two baskets in the final 10 seconds. Culin Wood. Birmingham's assistant coach, has taken over on a temporary basis since Art Ross is recovering from bronchial pneumonia back home in Clearwater, Florida. Ross collapsed after last week's game with Brunel Ducks Uxbridge and Camdea.

Uxbridge found the power of Kingston too great and capitu-lated 102-87 at home with Bontrager (40) and Clark (31) maintaining their irrestible form for the visitors, who stage the return leg on Thursday.

The other game that night is between Manchester Giants and Crystal Palace, who won Saturday's first leg 91-84 with Jennings (33) excelling himself

Calderdale, who have been promoted to the first division with Derby, stand on the threshold of a double. They best Briston [15-89 in the semi-final of the National Trophy on Saturday and visit Plymouth in the final next Sunday.



Dil on Hab



Desert Orchid shows the jumping prowess that has made him one of the season's leading novices

Champion chance for Desert Orchid ping Cheltenham for the Grand National, You're Wel-come will represent Gifford in

Restart unlikely before Friday

By Phil McLennan

David Elsworth may run his crack novice, Desert Orchid, in the Queen Mother Champion Chase at the Chehenham Festival. The Whitsbury trainer's exciting grey is also in the Arkle Challenge Trophy. but at present Elsworth slight-

ly favours taking on Badsworth Boy, Bobsline and Very Promising in the two-mile championship.

"It depends on the number of runners but the Champion

Chase often cuts up,". Elsworth said. "He's not at his best on a left-hand track, but there's nothing else for him at this time of the season." The stable's Gold Cup bope,

Combs Ditch, will have been inconvenienced less than most by the freeze and his enforced seven-week lay-off could work in his favour. "He's at his best when fresh and has won first time out for the last two seasons," Elsworth said.

Robin Wonder, the 100-1 runner-up in last year's Charnpion-Hurdle, may miss the blue riband event this time and go instead for either the Wiareford Crystal Stayers' Hurdle or the County Hardle.

Other stable probables include Fandango Light (Waterford Crystal Supreme Novices Hurdle), The Footman (Tri-umph Hurdle) and Easter Festival, who would run in the Sun Alliance Hurdle if surviv-

other meeting, at Catterick, is also in doubt. Stewards will inspect the track at 9.30 this

for us to have n chance."

There will be n 2.0 inspection

definite runners are Our Fun (Champion Chase), Captain Dawn (Grand Annual), Simon Josh Gifford, still chasing Greenwood Lad (Kim Muir).

the Gold Cup and other

Despite the promised thaw, racing in this country is unlikely in resume before Fridny. Bangor's meeting scheduled for tomorrow has been ahandoned because of frest. This brings the total number of meetings lost this season in 110. Tomorrow's other meeting, at Catterick, is the course, Michael Meredith, said: "The course is frozen solid at the moment and it's long odds against racing." Stratford, where Thursday's other meeting is due in take place, have called for n 120 inspection tomorrow. Prospects

there are also described as Yesterdny's meeting nt Leopardstown was nhandoned after an inspection because of

morning. A course spokesman said: "Although n thaw is fore-cast, it will have to be a rapid one for me to have n change." frost, but the card will be run today. The planned meeting at Tipperary has been abandoned at Wincanton tomorrow after-noon to see if Thursday's meetbecause the course is ing can go ahead. The clerk of frostbound.

cess as a trainer, will have a numerically strong hand with Jim Joel's highly-promising Midnight Count leading the Findon challenge in the Sun in winning at Uttoxeter. Don-Findon challenge in the Sun Alliance Hurdle. caster and Ascot. Chuck Park on Sax With Door Latch sidestep- Spares's stayer has not run. Imperial Cup.

should lack nothing in fitoess after working on Yarmouth

Another less fashionable trainer with a realistic chance of success is Don Lee whose progressive chaser, Misty Spirit looks attractivelyweighted on 10st 9th in the Ritz Club Chase. The wioner of four races this season. including the Cheltenham event in which Dawn Run fell, Misty Spirit has not been idle during the cold spell as Lee has had sufficient quantities of snow on top of the frozen ground to keep his stable star

Other northern trainer mounting one-horse raids include Donald McCain, who saddles Honeygrove Banker in the Supreme Novices' Hurdle. and Sally Hall, who runs her talented novice chaser. Cool Decision, in the Arkle Trophy.

The Queen Mother's Insular could be amons Honeygrove Banker's opponents, but, if the weather relents in time, lan Balding is more likely to send the versatile six-year-old to Sandown Park on Saturday for the

O'Neill to test Dawn Run in racecourse school From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, Dublin

It is long odds on that John O'Neill will be the partner of Dawn Run in the Gold Cup, but according to Paddy Mullins, her trainer, the Cheltenham book-ing will only be confirmed after he has ridden her in a school in

Ireland this week.
There is just a possibility that this gallop will be held after racing at Leopardstown this afternoon, but Mullins said yesterday: "I would only bring her up to Dublin if there was substantial rain overnight. The: reported going at the moment is good to firm and I would not like to risk ber on that surface so

near to the big race".

If there is no break in the weather overnight it is Mullius' intention to seek the permission of the Leopardstown executives to bring her there later in the

Those who discard Dawn Run as a potential Gold Cup winner un the score that she is

another novice belonging to a distinguished lady owner, Dorothy, Paget's Mont Tremblant, came to the Gold Cup with precisely the same amount of experience. He, too, had been beaten in one of his four previous races over fences but notwithstanding this limitation, be was still good enough to win handsomely.

precedent. Thirty four years ago

Greasepaint, who managed a last-gasp qualifying win for this year's Grand National reappears at Leopardstown this afternoon - where yesterday's card has been carried over to today - in the Foxrock Cup, a two and a balf mile handicap chase.

With Dermot Weld planning to have Greasepaint at his peak in a month's time, he is likely to be short of a gallop and the same remark may apply to the top weight and fellow Aintree bope-ful, Kilkilowen.

just a four race novice" are In this event a year ago flying in the face of an historical Larry's Latest and Dudie were

B Sheridan J Short Mr P Larkin (3)

Mr P A Deegan (7)
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LEOPARDSTOWN

2.30 CABINTEELY 5-Y-O MAIDEN HURDLE (£1035: 2m) (16

5-2 Four Tm., 3-1 Nor Shoon, 9-2 Friendly Saint, 6-1 Thinking Cap, 8-1 Fine Stave, 10-1 Boldino. Golden Wings. 14-1 others.

Leopardstown selections

2.30 Noir Shoon, 3.0 Larry's Bottle, 3.30 Dromoland Lad. 4.0 Dudie, 4.30 Banker's Benefit, 5.0 Dawn Even, 5.30 Kissane.

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9-2 Bon Cheval 3-1 Larry's Bottle, 5-1 Eddie Wee, 5-1 Wild Argosy 8-1 Indian Shot, 19-1 Mister Butter, 12-1 Omnium Bonoroum, Whatever Will Se, 15-1 others.

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BALLYCRIM W Rock 0 12 0 A Power
B DROMOLAND LAD J E Mulhern 7 12 0 T Carmody
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ABOVE PAR J P Kavanagov 5 11 5 Mana Cusen (3)
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meland Lad. 4-1 Another Sunset, 11-2 Kipra. 6-1 Tudor Season, 8-1 Batycrum.

4.0 FOXROCK CUP EXTENDED HANDICAP CHASE (\$2.070: 2m

3.30 HILLCREST HURDLE (£1,173: 2m 2f) (10)

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FRIESLAVE T W Nicholson 11 12

FOUR TRIX JR Gox 11 12

FRIENDLY SAINT C Kriene 11 12

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POWER LOON N Meede 11 12

TUBBERSHININY II McDonogh 11 12

AMBER JACK Mrs P Duggan 11 4

GOLDEN WINGS Ruby Walsh 11 4

HILCASTLE O Day 11 4

PAULAS EMPRESS T Carberry 11 4

AOYAL RECORD IN T Hugnes 11 4

STRIELL ROYALE J Maczuley 11 4

THINKING CAP A Moore 11 4

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3.0 HARCOURT NOVICE CHASE (£1,311: 2m) (15)

placed behind Robsline and at the revised weights Dudie is now IIIb better off with Larry's Latest for a beating of eight lengths. At Gowran Park in the middle of February, DUDIE stayed on well to finish fourth to Another Brownie and could turn up bere at a nice price.

As a starter to an afternoon when he is strongly represented when he is strongly represented through the programme Mullins and his son. Tony, could win the Cabinteely Five-Year-Old Maiden Hurdle with NOIR SHOON, whom is competing over jumps for the first time, but who has some useful Flat race form.

The stewards at the last meeting here held a protracted enquiry into the riding of Willie Mullins on KISSANE. This well-backed runner bad come from an impossible position to finish third to Larchmont and Mullins in his defence offered the explanation that he had been told to ride the horse in a very Hotel.

different manner than pre-viously, holding him up for a late effort. The stewards "noted" the excuse and if Mullins cao time his effort a bit better he could touch off The West Awake in the Rockbrook Amateur Riders' Maiden Flat

Several of today's probables hold Cheltenham engagements. including Galmoy and Banker's Benefit, who head the weights in the Firmount Handicap Hurdle. BANKER'S BENEFIT has proved a prolific race winner for John Fowler and over this distance could prove too good for Galmoy at a difference of

Galmoy's stablemate, DROMOLAND'S LAD, has been given 10st 11b in the County Hurdle and if that is a realistic assessment he could step up on his effort of 12 months ago when he lost the Hillcrest Hurdle by a short head to the odds-on favourite, Hearns

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Law Report March 4 1986

GLC can give grants lasting beyond its own abolition

Regina v Greater London Council, Ex parte Westminster City Council and Others Before Mr Justice Macpherson [Judgment given March 3] Until it was abolished the

Greater London Council retained its wide powers and there was nothing to prevent it from using its revenue for lawful purposes even if the expenditure would benefit the recipient for a period which extended beyond the date of abolition.

The choice of recipients of grants was a political function of elected representatives. It was not the function of the court to review such decisions unless, in an extreme case, Wednesbury principles of reasonableness ([1948] I KB 223) could be nvoked

invoked.

Mr Justice Macpherson so held in the Queen's Bench Division dismissing an application by the Westminster City Council and seven other councils in Greater London for judicial review of decisions of the GLC to provide for payments of a number of voluntary ments to a number of voluntary and community organizations which would not be funded under post-abolition arrange-

Mr Roger Henderson, QC, Mr Charles George and Mr Andrew Arden for the GLC: Mr Andrew Collins. QC and Mr Mark Lowe

for the applicants.

MR JUSTICE MACPHERSON said that there was
no allegation, or certainly no sustainable argument, based upon B'ednesbury principles. Whatever might be the political views upon the decisions impugned in this case, there was no doubt that the overall financial effect of them had been most carefully scrutinized at every stage by those involved in the management of the GLC's

It might well be that there were block grant consequences which could be identified as flowing from those decisions. But Mr Collins realistically accepted that there were no grounds upon which he could suggest that those implications vitiate the decisions which were attacked in this case.

remember that provided the payments or allocations made were legal and within the law that regulated the decisionmaking power, no decision cound be reviewed unless, in cound be reviewed unless, in Lord Diplock's often quoted words in Council of Civil Service Unions r Minister for the Civil Service ([1985] AC 374, 410), it was tainted by procedural impropriety, or was "so outrageous in its defiance of logic or of secondary moral transfact, that accepted moral standards that no sensible person who bad applied his mind to the question to be decided could have arrived

Correctly in this case no suggestion as to irrationality could be made, and il was not in fact made by the applicants. The matter was left open but there was no material upon which the suggestion could succeed. His Lordship referred to the

care and clarity of the reports made by the GLC officials which prepared the ground for the decisions. Where such detailed material and full information was laid before a committee or the council it was difficult to suggest that anything had been left unconsidered or had been considered when it should not have been.

In each case the question was one for the committee or council, and the court would never substitute its own view for that of the decision making body.

might often be attempted. But and any other authority to the court had to be deaf to siren which the GLC's functions were the court had to be deaf to siren voices aimed to achieve that to be transferred. cnd. Far too many cases came in these days which sought to circumnavigate the form and to fund the new ILIEA which substance of Lord Diplock's speech or the many other firm repetitions of those principles.

The present applications were made in the context of the two Acts [the Local Government Interim Provisions Act 1984 and the Local Government Act abolition of the metropolitan county councils and of the Greater London Council.
As Mr Collins said, it had

on April I, 1986 the GLC's functions would cease ab-solutely. The GLC was then

The court had to be alert to the detailed provisions of both Acts, and never allow the GLC to perpetuate itself in ghostly form or in any way to ensure its continued existence by some llegal device.

Furthermore, Mr Collins said that the GLC had no power to make a will, and in so far as it had moneys available at abolition, the intention of Parliament was that the district councils should inherit those funds.

In that context phrases of that kind could be dangerous since while it was true that the GLC must not try to live on, or to make a will as such, there was no restriction placed upon it before died to prevent it using its budgetted revenue so long as the

use to which the moneys were put were lawful.

While the GLC might not make its own will, it could, if it did so legally, spend its money to defeat its statutory will and thus disappoint its successors. provided the expenditure was

Nowhere in either of the two relevant Acts was there anything to defeat the GLC's extant powers, save for those specific clauses which did control specitic aspects of its activities.

That was, of course, a prime point in Mr Henderson's argument and it was a true and powerful point. If Parliament had Intended to provide expressly for the passing on of budget surplus moneys it could have done so. It did not. Thus the GLC's powers remained. Two points of construction had been raised, First, section II

of the 1984 "paying Act" im-posed a duty upon the GLC to consult its constituent councils. Subsections [2] and (3)(a) taken together could have only one proper construction. Sub-section (3)(a) required the GLC to comply with the duty im-posed by subsection (2)" at a clearly defined time, namely

before it determined its total estimated expenditure for the financial year beginning on April I, 1985. "The duty" was set out in subsection 12). It covered two matters, since it referred expressly to expenditure and financing within the relevant financial year and any other proposal that would involve

expenditure in a subsequent financial year. But on analysis there was only one duty, namely a single duty to consult as in those two matters and at that time. His Lordship could not accept Collin's argument that section Il gave any extended right to consultation.

Turning to section 97 of the Local Government Act 1985, that provided for the GLC to be obliged to cooperate with both

Seduction to such an exercise the London horough councils

would in due course perform the relevant inner London education functions.

In his Lordship's judgment "cooperation" and "facilitate the implementation" were wide expressions contemplating payments to be made of a much wider kind, provided always that those who decided to make such payments carefully considered in detail whether or not or did indeed "facilitate the implementation" of the Act rather than simply try to take over in advance the new ILEA's

Provided a balanced decision was made upon that matter that decision could not be upset except upon the disease upon the

Turning to the decisions, in order to succeed in his arguments Mr Collins had to distinguish Manchester Cay Council v Greater Manchester Metropolitan County Council [1980] 78 LGR 71L

In his Lordship's judgment it could not be said that what was termed "forward-funding" achieved by payments made now in order to ensure the transition of specific recipients mo the new era were illegal in form or in substance.

If payment now ensured the life and viability of an organization for the coming months or even beyond such a period there was no illegality, provided each case was considered on its

The abolition in the present case could not be distinguished from the change of control in the

Public reaction to the proposals had singled out individual proposals for criticism and adverse comment. But it was right to stress that it was no possible part of the court's duty or power to look at such aspects of the proposals.

In some cases the choices of recipients of grants had political or social overtones which might please some or dismay others. These were solely matters for political or GLC decision by elected representatives.

Provided the payments were justified in accordance with the principles carefully spelled out by the GLC officials they could not be impugned at law, unless perhaps in some most extreme case it might be said that the B'ednesbury principle could be invoked. Such was not the case

In his Lordship's judgment there was no basis for saying in fact or at law that there was a reasonable basis of consultation such as to help the applicants in their case. There was full statutory consultation before April 1, 1985.

But since Parliament did not provide for later consultation but did expressly provide for "cooperation" and access to information the court should be guarded in imposing by inference or implication a duty which Parliament did not prescribe. If the applicants were right it would be difficult to know where to draw the line.

There was no "legitimate expectation" in this case. Mr G. Matthew Ives.

Police need not disclose observation post secrets in court

Regina v Rankine Before Lord Lane. Lord Chief Justice. Mr Justice Mann and Sir Roger Ormrod (Judgment given March 3)

The long-established rule that police or other investigating officers could not be required to disclose the sources of their information applied to protect the identity of a person who had allowed his premises to be used for surveillance, and the location of those premises.

The Court of Appeal so held when dismissing the appeal of Elliston Rankone against his conviction on July IO, 1985 at Inner London Crown Court (Judge Crowther, QC and a jury) of unlawful supply of a controlled drug, contrary to section 413 Kat of the Misuse of Drugs Act 197L for which he was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment.

Mr Roger Offenbach, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant, Mr Paul Purnell, QC, and Mr Hugh Torrance for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE MANN, giving he judgment of the court, said that the prosecution case was that on March 14, 1985, on 10 occasions in an hour the appellant was seen selling cannahis outside a shop in Railion Road, Brixton.

The case was based on the observations and identification of two police officers who were in an observation post watching the shop and who had passed to other officers a radio message of what they had seen.

The appellant was arrested and IO7 grammes of cannabis and £274 in cash were found upon him.

At the beginning of the trial and in the absence of the jury. counsel for the prosecution applied for a ruling that the officers who cunducted the surveillance operation should not he asked to identify the location of the observation post. The reason for the application was given as being the public interest in that an observation post lost its utility when its location was known, and in that

the persons who provided the post would or could be placed in jeopardy from persons who disapproved of cooperation with the police. After argument, the applica-

tion was granted on the basis that any questions might be asked, but the officers would not be compelled to answer any questions to which they objected on the ground that it would embarrass their sources of cooperation.

In the event some questions about the observation were both asked and answered, but the location of the observation post remained unknown to the jury.

For the appellant a single ground of appeal was raised: whether the trial judge was wrong in law in permitting the prosecution not to disclose the observation point from where the identification was made. That raised a point of general importance. Their Lordships

were told that surveillance was a vital form of criminal intelligence and that much of it was carried out from static positions in business premises or private Such positions could not be occupied without the coopera-

tion of members of the public. Their Lordships readily under-stood that members of the public would be unwilling to cooperate if the identity of their premises was disclosable in

well recognised that the detec-tion of crime was assisted by the accepted that if the rule in use of information given to the police by members of the public. Those members might be not be critic either professional informers ships agreed.

who gave information regularly in the expectation of financial or other reward, or public spirited citizens who wished to see the guilty punished for their ofl'ences.

likely to prevent persons coming. Teixerra.

forward with information would be the knowledge that their identity might be disclosed in COULT

Accordingly, for many years it had been the rule that police or other investigating officers could not be required to disclose the sources of their information: see Allorner-General v Briant [1846] 15 M & W 1691; Marks v Brylus ((1890) 25 QBD 494]; R v Hennessy (Timothy) [11979] 68 Cr App R 4191

it was to be observed that the rule was a rule of exclusion subject to a discretion to admit in order to avoid a miscarriage of justice. Thus even if the prosecution did not invoke the rule the judge was none the less obliged to apply it.

The question was whether the rule protected the identity os a person who had allowed his premises to be used for surveillance and the identity of the premises themselves.

In their Lordships' judgment the reasons which gave rise to the rule that an informer was not to be identified applied with equal force to the identification of the owner or occupier of premises used for surveillance and to the identification of the premises themselves. The cases were indistinguishable and the same rule had to apply to each. That being so the only ques-

tion was whether the trial judge was correct in not exercising the discretion exceptionally to admit such evidence in order to For many years it had been avoid a miscarnage of justice. regard to informers applied, the exercise of the discretion culd

not be criticised. Their Lord-Solicitors: Solicitor, Metro-

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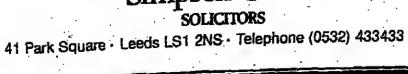
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6.00 Ceefax AML Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.56; 6.50 Breekf regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; Junior Advice line at 7.32, followed approximately an hour later with the adult version; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus, Alan Titchmarsh a gardening

advice. Ceetax 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Ceetax News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and rances Coverdate includes news headlines with subtitles 12.55

Regional news and 1.00 Pebbie Mill at One with Paul Cola, Marian Foster and Magnus Magnusson.
A new treatment for
multiple sclerosis is
investigated with a contribution from e contribution months sufferer who claims it has given him relief from his symptons: Heather Couper begins a monthly couper by heather houses. series on heavenly bodies; and Ashley Jackson presents the first of e eries in which he talks to elebrities about their

interest in painting. Plus, e song from Roseanne, daughter of Johnny Cash. 1.45 Chock.e-Block.(r) 2.00 The Goode Kitchen. Shirley Goods prepares an inexpensive sea-food pasts and explains how to make curd cheese 2.15
The Parent Programme. Francis Wilson and Mirian O'Reilly with advice on surviving with under-fives 2.30 Ceetax 3.52 Regional

news
Postinan Pat (r) 4.10
Laurel and Hardy,
Cartoon version (r) 4.15 Jackenory. Joanna Monro with part two of Enid Blyton's, The Circus of Adventure 4.25 Benenaman 4.30 The Really Wild Show. The tast programme of the series in which Terry Nutldns and his team answer viewers' questions on natural history matters.

5.00 Newsround, presented by Roger Finn 5.10 Grange HBL Episode 17 and Zammo is in more trouble. 5.35 Faxt Bill Oddie, Wendy

Leavesley and Bilty Butler settle another selection of arguments.
6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchelf.

6.35 London Plus. 7.00 Hobday, introdu ffoliday, introduced by Cliff Michelmore, Tom Savage reports on a Hong Kong holiday; Anne Gregg takes a Norwegian flords cruise; and Bill Buckley tackes a photographic holiday course in a Welsh manor house. 7.30 EastEnders. Den makes a

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7.00

drematic discovery. (Ceefax) 8.00 One by One. With the Northern Zoo about to close, Mr Challon, a

find new homes for the --animals (r)(Ceefax) 8.50 Points of View. 9.00 News with Julia Somerville and Andrew Harvey.

Weather. 9.30 Hidesway. Colin, In a desperate attempt to diffuse his threa ituation, pays off the two Distribution: has a conversation with Amie; and tries to mollify

(Ceefax)
10.20 Film 85. Barry Norman
reviews Out of Africa and
interviews one of the
stars, Meryl Streep.
10.50 Nothing But the Best. The
final part of the series for parents on secondary . education.

11.15 Sportsnight Special.
Highlights from one of tonight's football matches and the latest news on the Bruno/Coetzee bout. 12.05Weather.

TV-AM 6.15 Good Morning Britain, presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. Exercises at 6.20; news with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.34; regional report at 7.15; Popeye cartoon at 7.24; pop video at 7.55; film review at 8.34; reunions at 8.45; e personal view from Geoffrey Cannon on what is wrong with the British diet at 9.12

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Themes news headlines.
9.30 For Schools: How to talk about the future. For the hearing impaired 9.50 Flore and fauna that survives on rocks 10.09 . Ways in which hands are used to pass messages
10.26 German
conversation for beginners
10.48 Parliamentary

10.48 Parliamentary lobbyists and pressure groups 11.10 The role of computers 11.27 Schoolchildren investigate bullying 11.44 Ralph Steadman examines various aspects of imaking faces:

Button Moon. Puppet adventures of the Spoon family 12.10 Rainbow Learning made fun with puppets (r) 12.30 The

Sulfivers.

1.00 News at One with Leonard
Parkin 1.20 Themes news
presented by Robin
Houston 1.30 Shine On Harvey Moors. The final part of the comedy drama serial about an exserviceman coming to terms with civilian life in London after the Second World War. (r)

2.30 Deptime. Sarah Kennedy chairs e studio discussion on a topical matter 3.00 Mouthtrap. A new quiz game show, presented by Don Maclean. 3.25 Thames news headlines: 3.30 The Young Doctors. Medical drama series from

4.00 Button Moon. A repeat of Cartoon series 4.20 The Wind in the Willows. Toad tires of croquet and takes up gotf (Oracle) 4.45 Splash. The children's decide the content. Connections. Quiz game

5.15 Connections. Quiz game for teenagers, presented by Sue Robble.
5.45 News 6.00 Tharmes news.
6.25 Reporting London. The findings of a report prepared by international experts examining what would happen if London was the target of a nuclear strike.

7.00 Enimerdale Farm, Jack
Sugden is determined that
Enimerdale will be the
successful bidder for
Mowten's fand.
7.30 Busenan's Holiday. Julian

Petitier presents another round of the quiz game for teams.(Oracle)
8.00 Magnum. Carol, a deputy
district attorney, cons
Magnum and Higgins into
helping her arrange an operation.

9.00 Boon. This week the freelence trouble shooter.

is reluctant to take e job moving antiques for a dealer. (Oracle) 10.00 News at Ten and weather followed by Thames news

headlines.
19.30 First Tuesday. Len
Harding, Born a Number,
examines how former Rampton patient, Len Harding, is coping with the outside world. Kent Coal: Staying on Top, investigates the mood of the miners of Kent, one year after the end of the year anter the date of the coal dispute. (see Choice)
Films Attempt to Kill*
(1961) starring Derek Farr and Tony Wright. Police inspector Minter Investigates murder atternates on e

businessman. Directed by Royston Moriey. 12.35 Night Thoughts attempts on e

Leu Harding: Born a Number. On ITV, 10.30pm

6.55 Open University: Science rocks and magnets. Ends

9.00 Ceefax.

9.20 Deytime on Two. For the moderately mentally handicapped young adult 9.35 Spanish conversation 9.52 Maths: turning a mathematical rule into e graph 10.15 A chapter from the Rev Error Space.

from the Boy From Space, by Richard Carpenter 10.38 The future for coal

11.00 Continuing the series exploring what life was like at the turn of the

century 11.17 A forest walk and a stroll along a strand 11.39 Ways of

producing alternative energy 12.00 A portrait of a family run hotel in La Rochefie 12.30 German conversation 12.55

Ceefax 1.20 French conversation 1.38 The

conversation 1.38 The see-birds that have made the cliffs of St Abbs and the Bass Rock their home 2.00 For four- and five-year olds 2.15 The history of e local park 2.40 Subaqua societies.

News summary with subtitles. Weather.

The Grain Run. The first of a series of five

a series or we programmes in which Pete Morgan navigates the Roman waterways of Britain by barge and boat (first shown on BBC

North) No Limits, Jenny Powell

and Tony Baker take their dreadful accents to

Norwich; on a boat trip on the Broads; and a ride on

stage coach that used to take the mail between

London and East Anglia. Plus, pop music and

videos. Joni Jones, Part two of

the serial end Joni is introduced to chewing

voile. From Canada. (f)
7.30 The Money Makers. A profile of Aldo Morita, chief executive of the Japanese company, Sony.
1.00 South East Reports.
Reporter Fran Morrison investigates the chane and

investigates the chaos and uncertainty threatening

London's arts bodies once the GLC is abolished.

programme of the series includes reports on the E

in the food we est, on the best low fat spreads; and

are becoming

the exotic vegetables that

commonplace in the local

Emperor after the murder

start to the reign is soon eclipsed by Caligula's delusion that he is the god Zeus, and by marrying his sister after proclaiming here.

a goddess. Starring Derek Jacobi, John Hurt and

coinciding with the opening in London's West End of his latest film, Ran.

Management and the School. Ends at 12.20

Margaret Tyzack. (r)
9.55 Arena. A profile of the
Japanese film director.

Akira Kurosaw

11.00 Newsright 11.45 Weather.

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 LEN HARDING: BORN A
 NUMBER (TV, 10.30pm) brings
up to date John Willia e 1979
exposure of the III-treatment of psychiatric patients at Rampton hospital. The impact of that film, Ramoton: The Secret Hospital, was immediate and dramatic: a wide-ranging police inquiry prosecutions against 23 people, seven convictions upneld on appeal, one man sent to prison, and e Government inquiry. One of the taces one remembers most from that campaigning film was that of Len Harding, diagnosed as a psycopath, and incarperated in institutions for 34 of his 35 years. When last we saw him, he was out of saw nm, ne was out or Rampton, and beginning a new and solitary life in e bed-sitter after rehabilitation in a half-way house.Small and confined his

CHANNEL 4

Crusoe* (1932) starring Douglas Fairbanks and

Maria Alba. Comedy about

Film: Mr Robinson

Maria Alba. Comedy about e playboy who accepts e bet to five in isolation on e South Pacific Island. Directed by Edward Sutherland.

3.45 Years Ahead. Robert Dougail presents another edition of the magazine programme for the older viewer. The contentious subject of British Telecom's standing charges is examined;

charges is examined; Zena Skinner tekes up artist Tony Waller's claim that he can teach anyone to paint in 30 minutes;

m. Yasterdav'e winner is challenged by Nigel Ingham from Clifton

Paul Lewis investiga benefits for those with disabilities; and Frances

gardening advice.

5.00 Bewitched. The 20th

century witch, Sementha Stephens, is sent back to the witch-hunting days of the 17th century by the dotty Aunt Clara. 5.30 More Than Meets the Eye.

This second programme in the series on flower arranging finds presenter Sue Philips in the

Netherlands. In the studio Michael Saunders

demonstrates the various

styles of European flower

arrangement.
Pop the Question. Pop
nostalgia quiz. The team
captains, Chris Tarrant
and David Hamilton, are

joined by Sally James, Anneka Rice, Duggie

Brown and Adrian Juste.

Denger Man* British
Intelligence agent John
Drake is sent to Scotland

to investigate the reappearance of a meste

spy thought to have died on years earlier.

Peter Sissons and Alastai Stewart Includes a report

Bal Breckon and the Kent

dangers of bedly identified chemical lorries; and David Stafford has the

starring Nigel Terry and Helen Mirren. John Boorman's lavish version

Heavy Metal special shown last Friday. Ends at

police uncover the

9.00 Film: Excellibur (1981)

of the old Arthurtan

isgend. 1.30 The Tube. A repeat of the

7.00 Channel Four news with

from Anne Perkins in

science. Weather, 8.00 Brookside. Billy is

house. .

CHOICE new world was, but at least it was a place where he could shed teers in peace. Now Mr Willis has turned the camera

on Len Harding once more, and we see that the man who was born a number is now a Mr. He has a wife, home and job end he has written e book which is an eloquent ples for better treatment of the mentally ill.Completing tonight's adition of First Tuesday is another up-dating, Kent Coal: Staying on Top. These were the last miners to drag their heels back to work at the end of the long and violent coatfield strike, and the mood of both the men and their families one year later is exactly what you would expect it to be.: bleak and bitter

John Boorman's film EXCALIBUR(Channel

4,9.00pm)is a version of Malkory's Morte d'Arthur that is as ramote in style from the musical Camelot as My Fair Lady was from Pygmallon. This is not to say that the Arthurian legend has been intellectualization intellectualized out of all recognition. It is simply to recognize that Booman has given the legend a philosophical edge that satisfies the mind while allowing the eye to be astonished at Anthony

 Radio choice:Stephen Hough playing Rechmaninov'e Piano Concerto No 1 with the City of Birminghan SO (Radio 3,7,30pm).

Peter Davalle

his favourite cha iction.

correspondent. Life and politics abroad, reported by BBC foreign

correspondents.

10.30 Morning Story: The Dance of the Little Swans by Jenny Hursell. Read by Valerie Windsor.

10.45 Daily Service (New Every Morning, page 93) (s).

11.00 News; Travel; Thirty-Minuta Theatre: Mrs Donatdson at 60 by Constance Cox, with Dukin Care the news. Constance Cox, with Duice Gray as the poor widow (s). 11.33 The Living World: News of wildlife.

9.00 News 9.05 Tuesday Call: 01-580 4411 10.00 News; From our own

of wildlife.

12.00 News; You and Yours.
With Pattie Coldwell.

12.27 My Word! Panel game
with Dilys Powell and
Frank Muir challenging Antonia Fraser and Denis Norden (s). 12.55 Weather, travel. 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55

Shipping.
2.00 News; Wornan's Hour, includes a feature on Nanoose Peace Camp on Nanosee Pasce Camp on Vancouver Island.

3.00 News; Welsh Drama: The Penrhyn Summer by Alison Leonard. With Alexandra Mathie (s).

4.00 News;

4.05 Communities in Crisis. How communities have coped with different types of crisis (1) Shutdown.
4.30 Kalektoscope, Last 4.30 Kalektoscope, Last night's edition (r). 5.00 PM: News magazine. 5.50 Shipping 5.55 Wasther

Weather. 8.00 News; Financial Report. 6.30 Oh, Yes it Isl History of

pentomine, nerreted by Richard Briers (6). 7.80 News 7.95 The Archers 7.20 File on 4, With Stuart Simon. a.no Medicine Now. (Geoff

Watts). 8.30 The Tuesday Feeture: Culture Shock, Moly Price-Owen reports on people who take up Importance is Frank Cousins, a writer and lecturer on the history of BBC1 Wales Spore 6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 The Chile Stu-art Cha Che Chet Show 8.50-16.00 Week in Week Out. 16.00-16.50 Aled

Week in Week O.E. 10.09-10.50 Aied Jones 17.05-12.10sm News and weather Scotland 10.20sm-10.30 Dotaman 6.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland 10.20-11.50 Pen 86 11.20-11.50 Late Night in Concert 11.50-11.55 weather Northern Intered 5.35rs-5.00 Today 3 Scotl 5.49-6.00 Impide Uses 6.35-7.00 Take One 12.05sm-12.10 News and weather England 12.00-12.30pm East on Two. East only 6.35-7.00 Reported news magazing 12.00-6.35-7.00 Reported news magazing 12.00-6.35 court and Dorsen is worried that the apperience will lead to his ing his job and his 8.30 4 What It's Worth, A new series of the consumer megazine begins with John Stoneborough examinino a scheme BBC2 8.08-8.30 exploits the unemployed

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9.00 News

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9.45 Kateldoscope. With Christopher Cook.

10.15 A Book At Bedtime:
Bengal Lancer the antolography of Francis Yeats Brown (2). Reader Tim Pigott-Smith.

10.30 The World Tonight.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

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Corner 2.05 History; Not So Long Ago 2.25 Contact
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Open Forum. 11.50 Poetry.
12.30-1.10 Schools NightTime Broadcasting:
Rehersing for Work. 12.30 Time Broadcasting: Rehersing for Work. 12.30 The First Few Days. 12.50

Finding your Feet. Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News 7.05 Morning Concert: Chabrier (Gwendolins overture); Sauguett (Cello overture); Sauguett (Ceto Concerto: with Rostropovich as soloist. Satie(La diva de l'Empre,with Ameking.soprano); Debussy (Images oubliee: Kocsis, piano).. 8.00 Navs.

News. 8.05 Concert:part two. Suk (Fantastic Scherzo, Op 25); Bizet (Recitative and ena: L'orage s'est calme,...O Nadir, tendre ami (Souzay,baritone); Beethoven (Sonata in A. Op 2 No 2; Gitels.plano). 9.00

2 No 2: (asels.piano), 9.00
News
9.05 This Week's Composer:
Poutenc. The cantata Le
bal masque; Cinq poemes de
Max Jacob(Elty
Ameling,seprano); Quatre
poemes d'Apotlinaire(
Souzay, baritone); Concerto
in D minor for two pianos;
and orchestra; the composer
is the soloist). is the soloist). 10.00 Bertin and Esterhaza: Greun (Oboe Concerto in

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(Adagio and Rondo, K 617); Borodin (Piano Quintet in C mnor); Balakirev

in C minor); Balakirev
(Octet, Op 3)

12.10 Midday Concert: BBC
Scottish SO, with Sylvia
Marcovic Iviolin), Pert 1.
David Bedford (The
Valley-Sleeper, the
Children, the Snakes and
the Gliant); Bruch (Violin
Concern) No 1), 1,00 Concerto No 1). 1.00

1.05 Concert: part two. Mozert (Symphony No 33j; Dvorak (Othelio overture) Guitar Encores: Sven

Lundestad plays works by Granados. Jon Mostad and Camelnuovo-Tedesco (Tonadifle on the name of Segovia) 2.15 Les Six: Groupe des Six Les Sh: Groupe des Six perform works by Auric (Trio, for oboe, clarinet, and bassoon, Tailleterre (Pestorale for flute, piano). Milhaud (Sonata for flute, beno, clarinet, piano). Durey | Nicolios et la flute). Honegger (Dense et la chevre)and Poulenc (Tho for oboe, bassoon, piano).

chevre)and Poulenc (Tno for oboe, bassoon, piano).
3.35 Chamber Symphony by Shostakovich: Luceme Festival Strings. Barshai arrangement of String Quariet No 8
4.00 Anne Howells and Roger Vignoles: the mezzo and her eccompanist in works by Duparc, Debussy (including Trois chansons de Bilitis), Rodrigo and Obradors (including Del cabello mas sutil). 4.55 News

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure:recorded music,presented by Geoffre

Norris
6.30 Canconero Musical:
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MPs to examine petrol prices

By David Young Energy Correspondent

The link between world crude oil prices and what the motorist pays for petrol is to be examined by the all-party Commons Energy Commit-

The motoring organizations say that petrol prices are nol falling fast enough. Forecourt on the Rotterdam spot market North Sea crude for April delivery was being quoted last night at \$13.25 a barrel, almost a third of the price charged to refineries in December.

However, since December prices at the pumps have fallen by less than 20p and the oil companies have been criticized for not cutting them further.

One city analyst has calculated that profits are now running at more than 20p a gallon for the refiner, with the filling station owner doubling the 7p s gallon he was making st Christmas. But the oil companies say that falling prices can take up to 60 days to work through to the con-

The Energy Select Commit-tee will ask for written evi-dence from the big oil companies—Esso, Shell and BP-asking for detailed information on the relationship between crude and petrol prices over the past 20 years.

The information will show the effect of the link between the dollar and the pound; all oil prices, even those in the North Sea are quoted in

The Committee will also review the effect of tax on petrol prices. The oil companies have indicated that part of their reluctance to cul prices is that to do so would give the Chancellor further scope for excise duty and consequent value-added tax increases in the Budget.

The committee will also ask for techinical information on how the companies have upgraded their refineries to pro-

Defiant Palestinians bury a new saint



The body of the assassinated Mayor of Nablus, Zafer al-Masri, covered in the outlawed Palestinian flag, being taken to the tomb.

From Ian Murray

TUESDAY MARCH 4 1986

They held a Palestinian state funeral for their mardered mayor here yesterday. Chanting, clapping and whis-tling, they laid Zafer al-Masri to rest to the tears and cheers of 20,000 and more in the streets of this city.

As if in symbolic sacrifice before the ceremonies began, a young refugee in the town's camp of Bata died from an Israeli bullet as he grappled with a soldier in an incident sparked by the tension of the

Symbolically, too, the day ended with police firing into the air to disperse a group of youngsters who had flung a ange stone at the windscreen of a police bus.

From just after sunrise mourvers from all over the West Bank had been arriving, with a black-edged poster. The bells of the Christian showing the dapper business-churches rang out discordant—man who has become the ly as the chants from the megaphones in the many minarets ceaselessly called across the shuttered city.

At the family home the Maslim ritual of mourning was being closely observed. The older men sat silently in plush chairs round the livingrooms, staring vacantly.

Outside on the steep stone steps and among the lemon trees in the garden, all was noise. Chants of "There is no God but Allah and Abn Hisham is his most beloved" rang out as the young mourners remembered the mayor's family name,

They pashed their way into the courtyard, waving wreaths of palm leaves, hung with the flag of Muslim mourning and unlikely new saint of Palestinian movement

Just before the funeral procession moved off, the diplo-mats arrived from Jerusalem to pay their last respects in a corriège of cars flying national flags - the Union flag, the Tricolour, the Stars and Stripes and, last and most poignantly, the blue and yellow flag of Sweden.

Mr Wabed al-Masri had been struck by the similarity of the killing of Mr Olof Palme and of his own cousin. "Why do they kill the men of peace; they are mad," he said. Those who anno sin's murder with pride should really feel ashamed. They are criminals and

like a happy football crowd than a funeral march, mostly young people surging forward shosting out first for the dead mayor and then for the Pales-

tine Liberation Organization.
As the procession continued the outlawed Palestinian flag appeared among the hanners of the mourners, held aloft by youngsters carried shoulderhigh and with their faces hidden in their kefiyak

Round them other young men, giving the victory sign, chanted for the PLO.

There was a brief stop at the town hall, where a pile of sand surrounded by building blocks and covered in flowers marked the spot nearest the place in the roadway where the mayer was shot on Sunday.

After the service at the main

se the crowd bore the coffin back to the Masri

crude coffin was draped in the

Palestinian flag, and the crowd round it present close. The coffin disappeared be neath the heaving crowd. Suddenly, with no ceremony, out came the body, wrapped in white sheeting, like a munmy. Blood from the fatal bullet wound had made a stain near the head. For moments it stiffly bobbed along the top of the crowd, then disappeared saddenly into its breeze-block

cupying army kept a very low profile on one or two strategic rooftops. The soldiers brought in the body of the young man from the refugee camp in a UN ambalance when most of the crowd was at the mosque They did nothing to stop the waving of the outlawed Pales-tinian flag.

Weather

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6 am to midnight

Letter from Northern Philippines

Crying for a lost political father

of President Marcos was ard in the northern capital streets. For of all the cities in the Philippines, Laoag had been the most favoured with presidential patronage.

The city proudly an-nounces to the world on a hoarding that it is a disciplined and orderly city", but when Mr Marcos flew out of the country the fear in the south was that the generals and the northern politicians would conspire somehow to bring him back.

When the acting Governor of Ilocos Norte called together the mayors of the province to give them his views on what to do next the southern newspapers were quick to see a plot, despite the fact that the. outcome of the meeting was a telegram pledging loyalty to the regime of President Acruino.

When the Mayor of Lacag, Mr Rodolfo Farinas, was found approaching the head-quarters of the revolution at Camp Crame on the outskirts of Manila, and was found to have a band of armed men with him, he was immediately suspected of a suicide attempt to assassinate the rebel leaders. They had been in touch with me to see if I would defect and join them," Mr Farinas said, "and al-though I refused I wanted to see them to try to get a safe-conduct pass for myself and my men.

Mr Fariñas, of course, like many other Philippine polititieisns, would not dream of travelling anywhere without a number of bodyguards armed to the teeth. The guns were all licensed and legal,

The reason for this fear of the far north is that this is Mr Marcos's own country. He was born just down the road from here, and s museum enshrines the spot. The boundary of the northern area is marked by the Ferdinand Marcos Highway, overlooked by a bust of Mr Marcos standing 105ft, smiling indulgently from the top of a hill.

with 126 bedrooms and more arebeing built, a few miles from town. The only guests last weekend were a handful

of foreign journalists. There was, perhaps surprisingly, a victory procession to celebrate the accession of Mrs Aquino. A stream of cars bedecked in yellow ribbons ran through the streets

"I was called for in the middle of the night by three cars with 10 people in them." said one leading supporter of the United Nationalist Democratic Organization, Unido. under whose yellow banner Mrs Aquino fought the elec-

Mayor Farinas wanted to talk to me. They took me to s transport repair shop, and the Mayor was there and talked to me like I was his kid brother, saying that we should all help the President "It was not that he threat-

ened me...but there were 50 people there, and I left feeling bumiliated and depressed. He certainly neutralized me on election day. The feeling was one of hopelessness." Immediately after the elec-tion the local leader of Unido,

Mr Rosidio Tipin, left the town and headed for Manila and safety.

When Mayor Farinas returned from the south, trail-

ing newspaper reports that he ad been imprisoned for his "suicide assassination attempt", he was given a warm round of applause as he appeared in a public meeting. Speaking for most peopl in the room, he said: "I feel that I have lost my political

father. I am a neophyte mayor, and I owe everything I am to President Marcos." The feelings of the north however, are not restraining the men of the Ibaloi tribe who were dispossessed of their lands to make way for the park around the huge bust of Mr Marcos on the hillside farther south. They have

Michael Hamlyn

announced that they plan to

destroy the monument on

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements
Queen Elizabeth, The Queen
Mother, attends an Industrial Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother, attends an Industrial Soiree at the Royal Society, London, 8.30pm.

The Prince and Princess of Wales attend the premiere of the film Out of Africa at The Empire, Leicester Square, 6.30pm.

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Mary's Tradescant Church, British Trees, photos by Alan London, 12; and later attends a Fairhurst and Eric Soothill; reception at the Mansion Towneley Hall Art Gall, Burns-

reception at the Mansion House London 6.30pm. The Duke of Gloucester presents the 1985 award for the

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II Bank beside American rail-

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the pantomine Danish Blues at Wedi Sat 10 to 6, Sun 2 to 6 Westminster Theatre, London, (ends March 4).

New exhibitions

Princess Anne opens an ex-hibition of craftwork at St to 4 (ends March 1986).

ley; Mon to Fri t0 to 5.30, Sun 12 to 5 (ends April 3).
French and English 13 Century Manuscripts: British Library, G1 Russell St, London; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2.30 to

presents the 1985 award for the Pollution Abatement Technology Award Scheme at the Royal Society of Arts, London, 2.15; and later opens The Royal College of Physician's Exhibition at the Stock Exchange, London, 6.15pm.

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TV top ten

Music Royal Philharmonic Or-chestra; Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, 7.30. Recital including music by

Brahms, Debussy and Martinu; Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London; 12.30 to 2 Organ recital by Andrew. Lumsden: St Lawrence Jewry, Guildhall Yard, London; 1pm.
Piano duct by Dmitri and Tanya Alexeev; Bishopsgate Hall, London; 1.05.

Recital by Ursula Snow (vi-olin) and Peter O'Hagan (pi-ano); Southlands College, 65 Parkside, Wimbledon, 7.30. London Ripieno Society, works by Schubert and Haydn; St Mark's Church, St Mark's Sq. Regents Park, &

A Concert of Song by Lynn Davies (baritone) and Richard simm (piano); St David's Hall, Cardiff: 1.05. National Festival of Music for The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,984

Youth, launch day, Nigel Ken-nedy (classical and jazz violin-ist): Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, 7.30. Pianoforte Recital, by Thomas McIntosh; De La Warr Pavilion, Bexbill on Sea; 3. Kent Youth Jazz Orchestra and Brian Wales Quartette: Sittingbourne and Milton Ro-tary Club, &

Concert by the Richmond Trio; St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Sq. 1.05.
Recital of music composed by Copland, Rachmaninov and Dvorek, Jemes Conion conductor). Stephen (soloist); Birmingham Hall, Birmingham; 7.30.

Exhibitions in progress
Translations from life and
nature: stone carvings by
George Kennethson; Peterborough Museum and Art Gallery, Priestgate; Tues to Sat 12 to
5 (ends March 22).
Paintings by Mark le Clair;
Niccol Centre, Brewery Court,
Cirencester, Glos; Mon to Fri 10
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Talks and lectures Revolutions in Understanding Muscle, lecture by Sir Andrew Huxley; Bennett Lecture Th 1. Trinity Coll. Cambridge Orpheus or Clio? Reflections on the use of History, lecture by

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20 Sincerely flatter the article Reynolds and Gainsborough, lecture by Michael Rosenthal; Goldsmiths Th. London School 21 Summits of Alpine peaks including curiously enough, of Hygiene and Tropical Medi-cine, Keppel St, WC1; 6.15. Leonardo: Master of Invention by Clare Ford-Wille, Highgate Literary and Scientific

> On To The Revolution by Andrew Kirk; St Peter's Church, Vere St, W1: 1.10 General Registration opens for London to Brighton Bike Ride; The London Bicycle Co. 41 Floral St. WC2: 9.30 to 5.30 (ends mid

> Instit. II South Grove, Highgate, London: 8.15.

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Daily Mail Ideal Home Exhibition; Earls Court Exhibition Centre, Warwick Road, London Sun to Sat 10 to 8 (ends 31

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Anniversaries

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Roads

Lodge Lane flyover between Barking and Dagenham closed diversion. A217 southbound de-lays between St Heliar round-about and Reigate; A10 Lights at Colliers End, nr Ware, Herts Midlands: M5 Works be tween junctions 4 and 5, 50mpl restrictions; A34 Lights, single line traffic on High St at Henley-

in-Arden, Warwicks A435 Lights, lane restrictions at Coughton north of Alcester, Wales and West: A38 Northbound lane closed between Ash-burton and Physnouth; M5 Northbound lane and hard shoulder closures at junction 25 (Taunton) A472 Delays betwee Hengoed and Nelson.

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Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Cen Hightands, Moray Firth, Orloney, Shetland: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, moderate at times, hill fog patches; wind S or SW moderate or fresh increasing strong to gate; max temp 8C (46F).

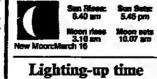
Ireland: Cloudy with rain, heavy at times, with hill and coast fog; clearer with showers in evening; wind S or Scotland: A73 Diversion from Stewart St at Carluke and Kirkton St. A74 Lane closures at Poniel Bridge north of A70; A71
delays along Calder Road at
junction with Cutlins Road.
Information supplied by AA with showers in evening; wind S o Parliament today

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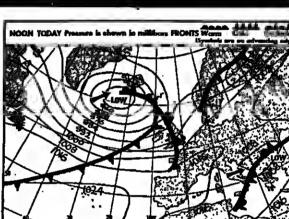
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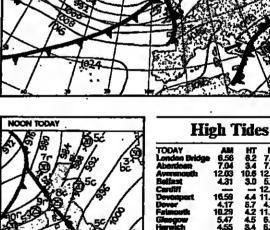
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